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Records of the U.S. Mint at Philadelphia
Correspondence

LETTERS SENT BY THE DIRECTOR AND THE SUPERINDENTENT OF THE MINT, 1866-1900

Jan. 24, 1880 - Dec. 10, 1880

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OFFICIAL

LETTER BOOK

No. 5

A. LOUDON SNOWDEN

Supt

FROM JANUARY 24th. 1880

To APRIL 12th 1880.

January 14th 80

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25th January 1840

Sir

The importance of increasing the appropriation for the purpose of perfecting the Mint Cabinet of Coins and Medals, as well as purchasing Minerals important in the history of the Mineral interest of our country, is so apparent as scarcely to require any discussion. I may observe, however, that our Cabinet is deficient in many respects, and, what will strike you as curious, it may be stated, that we have not a complete series of American coins, not to speak of a large number of the Coins of other Countries, and of pattern pieces, which are essential to make the Cabinet what it should be — a complete presentation of the history of our

own coinage, and that of the world, from the earliest periods.

We are also defective in the medal branch of the Cabinet. To place the Cabinet in a creditable condition to the Government, will require an increased expenditure of money.

Within the last few years, by judicious care, the profits arising from the manufacture of medals in the Mint, has largely increased, and I would respectfully suggest that in the appropriation bill of the present year, there be a section inserted authorizing the use of the profits arising from the manufacture of medals and the striking of proofs &c. for the purposes before named. If it is

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found that within a year or two, the receipts arising from this source, would be in excess of a judicious expenditure for the object named, the section can be omitted. It will require, however, for a few years, a considerable expenditure to remedy the omissions which have been running on many years. It may be here observed that within the last few months owing to the fact that no appropriations had been made to meet such a case, some of the rarest and most valuable coins which were offered to this Government at a low rate, had to be refused, and were purchased by the Agent of the English Government for that Country.

I have had prepared within the

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last 3 months, a list of American coins in our Cabinet, as well as a list of those not embraced therein. The result of this was quite convincing to my mind as to the importance of the step to which I allude. I am convinced that the expenditure of money necessary to place the Mint Cabinet in a proper condition will be the highest sense creditable to our government and of advantage to the people.

The importance of this subject is so manifest that I submit it with confidence to your judgment and approval

I am very respectfully
Your obedient Servant

Hon. Horatio C. Burchard.
Director of the Mint
Washington
D.C.

Superintendent

Mint of the United States at Philadelphia,

Jan. 24th, 1880

Sir,

I have the honor to enclose the Coiner's report of Coinage executed at this Mint, for the week ending Jan. 24th, 1880.

Very respectfully,

Your obedient servant,

Superintendent.

Hon. Horatio C. Burchard,

Director of the Mint,

Washington, D. C.

Mint of the United States at Philadelphia,

Jan. 24th, 1880.

Sir.

I enclose receipt No. 4 of Adams Express Co. for remittance of gold coin as follows:

Eagles	$750,000
Half eagles	251,875,40
	$1,001,875,40

being payment in full for invoice No. 1 received from the Newyork assay office, as previously acknowledged.

Very respectfully.
Your obedient servant,
Linderman
Superintendent.

Thomas B. Acton, Esq.
Supt U.S. Assay Office,
Newyork.

26th Jany 0

Sir/

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter informing me that Lt. J. F. Clark from the Bureau of Weights and Measures will report here on the morning of the 27th, to superintend the adjustment of the standard weights at this Mint.

I will close the Mint on that day so that he may have all the facilities possible for the rapid and accurate accomplishment of the work.

I am very respectfully,
Your obedient servant

Dft

Hon. Hugh McCulloch
Secretary of the Treasury
Washington D.C.

26th. January

Sir;

I have not yet received blank form of oath, to be taken by Mr Barber, recently appointed and confirmed by the Senate, as Engraver of this Mint.

Will you be kind enough to forward the oath, so that he may enter upon his duties of this office at as early a day as possible.

Very respectfully
Your obedient servant
R. M. Patterson
Director

Hon: Hoke Smith
Secretary of the Interior

Mint of the United States at Philadelphia,

Jan. 26th, 1880.

Sir.

I have the honor to inform you, that I have this day delivered to Adams Express a sealed box containing dies as follows: for 1880.

Standard Silver Dollar Obv. 10, Rev. 10, being in completion of your order for the U. S. Mint at New Orleans, La. of Nov. 1879.

Very respectfully,

Your obedient Servant,

A. Loudon Snowden

Superintendent.

Hon. Horatio C. Burchard,

Director of the Mint,

Washington, D. C.

Mint of the United States at Philadelphia,

Jan. 26th 1880.

Sir.

I enclose the receipt of Adams Express Co. for a sealed box forwarded to your address this day. containing the following dies: for 1880;

Standard Silver dollar Obv. 10. Rev. 10.

in completion of the order from the Director of the Mint, Nov. 1879.

Very respectfully.

Your obedient servant.

London Ormsby

Superintendent.

Hon. H. S. Foote,

Supt U. S. Mint.

New Orleans. La.

Jany 26th 00

Sirs

I have the honor to report the Bullion Fund at the close of business on the 24th inst at £14.110.732.80 subdivided approximately as follows viz:

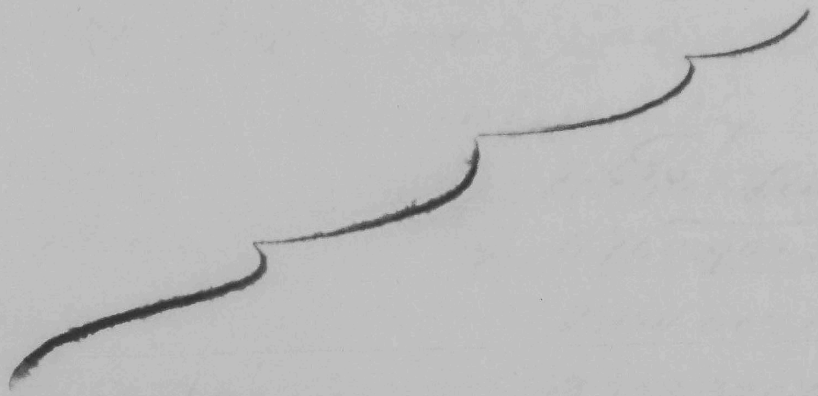
Gold Coin	£2.625.897.00
" Bullion	6.162.503.58
Silver Coin	2.184.007.17
" Bullion	3.138.320.05
Total as above	£14.110.732.80

Very Respectfully Yours
A. London Thurber
Supt

Hon W. G. Barnhard
Director of the Mint
Washington D.C.

Mint of the U. S.
Phila. Jany 2d 80

December 31st 79



Very respectfully

A. Dallas Bache
Supt.

1876

Jany 26 80

Sir

Your letter of the 24th inst enclosing Transfer Check No 515 for $4498.50 has been received and a like amount in 5s and 1s pieces will be forwarded to the Treas. State St. Joliet, Ill in a few days, as requested.

Very respectfully

Gordon Hurdley

Superintendent

Hon James Gilfillan
Treasurer U. S.
Washington
D. C

Mint of the United States at Philadelphia,

January 26th, 1880

Sir.

I draw this day Check No. 1187 favor Handy & Smith for $12,842.94
" 1188 " J. H. Wilson & Co. 11,354.51
in payment for Silver Bullion
Deposited

Very Respectfully
Richard Snowden
Supt

Hon Thos. Hillhouse
Asst. Treas. U.S.
New York

Janᵧ 26th 80

J & W. Seligman

& Co. New York

22d inst 80

51. 812. 20

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59. 354. 51

Jany 26th 80

Handy & Cronise.

New York

22d inst Bo

50.412.55

50.265.67

1.1510 57.855.78

Gleason Coverdale.

Mint of the United States at Philadelphia,

Janu 27th 1880

Sir.

I draw this day Check No. 1189 to the order of J. & W. Seligman & Co. for $45.000- in payment for Silver Bullion.

Very Respectfully
Gordon Hurley
Supt

Hon. Thos. Hillhouse
Asst. Treasurer U.S.
New York

Mint of the United States at Philadelphia.

Jany 27th 0

Sir

Your letter of the 26th inst enclosing Transfer Check No 15894 for $500.00 has been received and the same amount in Nickels will be forwarded to the St Louis State Bank St Louis, Mo, in a few days, as requested.

Very respectfully

Superintendent

Hon James Gilfillan
Treasurer U. S.
Washington
D. C

Mint of the United States at Philadelphia

Jan. 27th, 1880.

Sir,

I enclose receipt No. 5 of Adams Express for $250,000 in half eagles, being on ¾ of invoice No. 2 of gold bullion received on deposit from the U. S. Assay Office, at New York.

Very respectfully,
Your obedient servant,
A. Loudon Snowden
Superintendent.

Thos. B. Acton, Esq.
Supt U. S. Assay Office.
New York.

Jany 28th 80

Director of the Mint
Washington D.C.

Have but (2) dozo Supply Gold
Certificates on hand, in consequence
of non-receipt of those ordered in Re-
quisition December 24th 1879. Please
send Supply at once
Respt

W. Loudon Snowden
Cashr

Mint of the United States at Philadelphia.

January 2nd, 1880

Statement of the Master of Coiners' Copper Alloy Op. for the 4th quarter 1879

1879				
Oct. 1.	To Balance	Op.	17.500.00	368.41
" 3.	" Copper	"	1145.833.33	1800.00
" 8.	" "	"	1145.833.33	1.800.00
" 27.	" "	"	1145.833.34	2,150.
Nov. 11.	" "	"	1145.833.33	2,150.
	Total	Op.	6000.833.33	8.268.41
Dec. 31.	By Amt. used		236.250.00.	3.251.17
	Balance	Op	364.583.33	5.017.24

Hon. H. Burchard
Director of the Mint
Washington
D.C.

Horace Landers
Supt.

Jany 2nd 80

J. B. Colgate & Co.

New York

22nd inst 80

50. 820. 35

50. 428. 41

$1.504 58. 012. 84

Gordon Hurley

Jany 27th 80

J & W Seligman

Co. New York
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25.175.67
1/10 28.952.02

London Thursday

Jany 2nd 80

J. & W. Seligman

& Co. New York

22nd inst 80

2M. 132. 35

2M. 082. 11

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2C. 6 Co. 69

Hendon Snowden

Mint of the United States at Philadelphia,

Jany 2d, 1880

Sir.

I draw this day Check No. 1190 favor J. B. Colgate & Co. for $20.012.11

" 1191 " John H. Tobeyman & Co. 11.622.71

in payment for Silver Bullion.

Yours,

Very Respectfully

Horace Brinker

Supt

Hon. Thos. S. Hillhouse

Asst Treas. U.S.

New York

Mint of the United States at Philadelphia,

Janᵧ 27th 1880

Sir.

The following telegram sent you this day is hereby made official.

"Have but two (2) days supply of Gold Certificates on hand, in consequence of non-receipt of those ordered in Requisition December 2nd 1879. Please send supply at once."

I am,
Very Respectfully.
A. Loudon Snowden
Supt.

Hon. H. C. Burchard
Director of the Mint
Washington
D.C.

U.S. Mint. Phila'd.
28th. Jany. 1880

Respectfully Referred to
the Director of the Mint,
with the request, that he
endorse the enclosed order
and return it

Lyman Trumbull
Supt.

Mint of the United States at Philadelphia,

28th. Jan'y, 1880

My dear Sir;-

I take great pleasure in enclosing to you three copies of the "Rules for the Organization and Government of the Board of Assay Commissioners," as requested in your letter of 27th. inst.

I am with respect

Very truly your friend & obedient Servant

A. Loudon Snowden

Superintendent

Hon: John D. Knox

Controller of the Currency

Washington

D. C.

28th. January 1880

Sir,

I enclose herewith the oath of Charles E. Barber taken in conformity with the form transmitted. This form I had in the Mint, but am under the impression that some other form is used by the officers confirmed by the Senate. Mr Barber's father took the oath before the District Court. If this oath is however all right, will you be kind enough to forward his Commission.

Very respectfully
Your obedient servant
Linton Mordecai
Superintendent

Hon: Horatio C. Burchard
Director of the Mint
Washington D.C.

Mint of the United States at Philadelphia,

Jan. 28th, 1880.

Sir,

I have the honor to enclose the Statement of Silver purchased at this Mint, from January 19th to 24th, 1880.

Very respectfully,

Your obedient servant,

A. Loudon Snowden

Superintendent.

Hon. Horatio C. Burchard,

Director of the Mint,

Washington, D.C.

Mint of the United States at Philadelphia,

29th. January 1880

Sir:

Respectfully referring to your two letters of the 10th., in which you say that you have requested the Treasurer of the United States to cause transfers to be made to the Bullion Fund of this Mint as follows:

One Memo: 31 from Charlotte N.C. $1.396.80

One Memo 33 " Denver Col $7.452.87

I have the honor to inform you that, although T/O of later date have been issued, none corresponding to the two deposits in question have been received,

Very respectfully,

Your obedient Servant

Linderman

Superintendent

Hon: Horatio C. Burchard

Director of the Mint

Washington

D.C.

Jany 29 80

Sir

Your letter of the 28th inst. enclosing Transfer Check No 15899 for $100.00 has been received and a like amount in five cent pieces will be forwarded in a few days to the First Nat'l Bank, Brownville, Neb, as requested.

Very respectfully

Your obt servt

Superintendent

Hon James Gilfillan
Treasurer U. S.
Washington
D. C

29th January 0

Sir,

Pedro G. Salom, having resigned his position in the Assay Department of this Mint, to take effect on the 1st prox.t, his name will be dropped from the rolls on and after that date.

Very respectfully
Your obedient Servant
A. Mattocks
Superintendent

Hon. Horatio C. Burchard
Director of the Mint
Washington
D.C.

Mint of the United States at Philadelphia

29th Jany 1880

Sir /

In pursuance of the nomination of the Assayer herewith endorsed, I have appointed George A. Ludlow as a workman in the Laboratory of the Assay Department of this Mint at a Compensation of $3.— per diem, to take effect on confirmation, and respectfully submit the same for approval under Section 3514 revised Statutes

Very respectfully
Your obedient Servant
Linderman Smedley
Superintendent

Hon: Horatio C Burchard
Director of the Mint
Washington D.C.

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Mint of the United States at Philadelphia

29th Jany 1880

Sir,

The place of Mr Salom made vacant by resignation will be filled by the transfer of Mr Hartranft at present in the Assay department. For the present we will appoint no one in Mr Hartranft's place. The nomination of George A. Ludlow, is a transfer from the Coiners department to that of the assayer. He has been here for some time and has proven himself to be in the estimation of the assayer a skilful and trustworthy person (and he requested that I transfer him. The nomination therefore is rather a form than a substance as it does not [illegible] another employé to the Mint,

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although the pressure upon us at the present time will render it necessary to fill his place in the Coiners department within a brief period

I am respectfully
Your obedient Servant
Linderman
Superintendent

Hon: Horatio C. Burchard
Director of the Mint
Washington
D.C.

30th January 0

Sir/

By an examination of the book of estimates for the year ending June 30. 1881, I notice that the salary for the position now filled by Daniel C. Eyster is continued at $1600.— and not increased as I recommended, to Eighteen hundred dollars ($1800.—)

Mr Eyster is the only clerk of his grade who gets less than Two thousand dollars. His duties are onerous and responsible having charge of the redemption and reissue of the minor coins, and I think he is entitled to, at least $1800.— a year which is a less compensation than clerks of his

grade per.

I have known him since I have been in the institution, faithful in the discharge of his duties, and I most respectfully urge, if possible, his compensation be increased to the amount named

Very respectfully
Your obedient servant
S. Brooks Murray
" "
Superintendent

Hon. Horatio C. Burchard
Director of the Mint
Washington
D.C.

Mint of the United States at Philadelphia

30th January 1840

Sir

As the time for the annual assay approaches, I write to know whether I shall have the usual dinner prepared for the Commissioners and officers in connection with the annual assay as has been customary in this institution for many years?

I take this opportunity to say that within recent years I have thought the habit of having persons at the dinner, disconnected with the Commission and its labors in any way, an unwarrantable innovation, and with your concurrence I shall limit the dinner to those

who are actually engaged in the work of the Commission,

I am respectfully,

Your obedient Servant,

Gordon Moodey

Superintendent

Hon. Hardin C. Burleson

Treasurer of the Mint

Washington

D.C.

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Mint of the United States at Philadelphia

29th Jany 1880

My dear Mr Burchard,

I hope you will find it convenient and agreeable to bring Mrs Burchard up with you, on the occasion of the annual assay, (and stop at our house. It is true we will be a good deal away from home during that period but I have no doubt Mrs Snowden and Mrs Burchard can fill in the time pleasantly.

The pressure upon the Mint the last month has been very great, and for the last two weeks, I think we have done more work, than at any other previous time in the history of the institution. I found within the last fortnight that there was some doubt as to getting

out the quota of coin, and I have with a single nights exception, been here every night, until 9, 10, and 11 O'clock personally supervising and driving the work. It reminded me a little of old times. As the result I think we will get out the quota required. I had trusted the Coiner's promise the first of the month, without making any personal efforts in the different departments and then discovered, when it almost too late that he had been over confident and had not driven the work in the early part of the month as he should have done. He is usually so very accurate, that I supposed that certain impediments may be charged with the delay.

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I have increased the silver melts to seventy six per day and have hit upon a plan for increasing the capacity of the Mint in the matter of the Standard Silver dollars.

When I was transferred from another department of the Mint in 1866, to the Chief Coinership, the first impediment I met, was the irregularity in the silver strips as they passed through the draw-bench. After testing it very thoroughly, I discovered the cause was in the length of the strip which when drawn three-fourths the way through, had carried so much metal forward in front of the punch dies that it caused irregular thicknesses. This I successfully

obviated by cutting the strips in half, and thus overcame a difficulty that had troubled the Mint for many years. On discovering the other night, by an examination of the books of the Coiner, (and the metal going through,) that there was likely to be some shortage in the months Coinage, I went to the draw benches, and made a test as to whether we could not restore the old method of passing full strips through without much irregularity in the strips. This I found on personal test, was impossible. As the draw bench is the weak point in our present operations, I then put my wits to work to see how I could overcome the difficulty,

and ultimately struck the happy thought of increasing the length of the silver ingots from 13 to 17 inches. These moulds I am now having prepared as rapidly as possible and feel satisfied that they will give me increased products without any increased expense. In other words it will be almost as easy and rapid to pass an ingot 17 inches long, as one 13; & next the ingots pass through the rolls almost as rapidly. I will gain about 8 inches on each half strip which is a very important thing. I am quite sanguine of the result (am) have no doubt that the delay occurring at the draw-bench will be obviated thereby

this very simple change what occurred to me in the flash of a moment, and under the pressure of that was upon me.

The work is going on satisfactorily, but as next month will be the Annual Assay and a short month with 5 Sundays, in it I would like very much if you could ease up a little on the orders, if not in Standard Silver dollars, in gold Coinage.

I have been in the adjusting room for many nights, and from practical experience, know how very vicious the atmosphere of that room is. The effect upon the health of many of the ladies is quite manifest. I propose to have it ventilated, if

such a thing is possible. The number of employees working in that small space without ventilation, renders the atmosphere perfectly fetid and my sympathies are with all those who are compelled to work there late hours. Some of the ladies have given out on the overwork, and I am seriously contemplating the appointment of a few adjusters which shall be understood as temporary appointments, who shall work at overtime & divide the time with those of them that are weak and delicate. You can rely upon my carrying out your wishes in regard to the amount of carriage which some portion of the

machinery gives way.

I am having it carefully inspected every day, and have no reason to fear anything in that direction, although the large engine is always a matter of grave solicitude to me. If I have enough money left in the appropriations this year, I shall certainly have a new engine built to replace it.

The changes that I made in the melting room, taking down partitions as well as other obstructions, have been of great service. I have had the strength of the Coin Yard tested by a practical and skilled engineer, whose report indicates that care must

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be exercised not to place any more silver upon it than we have at present. Indeed, I propose diminishing the amount by keeping some of the silver in the Cellar. This matter has given me some uneasiness within a recent period on account of the large amount of silver piled in the place.

I hope to hear that you will bring Mrs Burchard with you (and stop at my house),

I remain very truly your friend, and obedient Servant

A. Loudon Snowden

Hon. Horatio C. Burchard
Director of the Mint
Washington
D.C.

Mint of the United States at Philadelphia.

30th. January 1880

Sir /

Acknowledging the receipt of your letter of 29th. inst. enclosing a draft for $140 39/100 in payment for twenty three sets of metric coins, transmitted to your office, I have the honor to enclose the receipted bills for the same: also a separate receipted bill for the two (2) sets retained by you for the Cabinet of your office.

Very respectfully
Your obedient servant
John L. LeConte.
Acting Superintendent

Hon: Horatio C Burchard
Director of the Mint
Washington D.C.

Jany 31st 82

Lovelace & Co

New York

22nd inst 80

$12.814.60
12.816.51
1.70
14.701.81

John L. Labonte,
acting

Jany 31st 80

Sir

I draw this day Check No.
1192 favr Handy & Co for $99.000—
1193 " Laidlaw & Co " 14,751.81
in payment for Silver Bullion

Very Respectfully
John L. Lebaron.
Actg Supt

Hon. Thos. Hillhouse
Asst Treas. U.S.
N.Y.

Mint of the United States at Philadelphia.

31st January 1880

Sir,

At the close of business this day I made the usual monthly count and examination of the monies in the hands of the Cashier of the Mint with the following results

Gold	$ 2.156.330..13
Silver	3.694.612..99
Refining and Parting a/c	.401..30
Ordinary a/c Regular	12.218..42
Manufacture of Silver Coin	8.7[illegible]..97
Mint Coinage a/c	107.826..47
Mint Coinage Exchanged	5.505..57
Mint Coinage re-issued	29.086..00

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Mint of the United States at Philadelphia,

31st January 1880.

Sir,

I have the honor to enclose the Coiners Report of Coinage executed at this Mint during the week ending the 31st day of January 1880

Very respectfully
Your Obedient Servant
A. Loudon Snowden
Superintendent

Hon: Horatio C. Burchard
Director of the Mint
Washington
D.C.

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Minor Coinage redemption 214.441.69

Total $6.229.348.51

Very respectfully

Your Obedient Servant

Linderman

Superintendent

Hon Horatio C Burchard

Director of the Mint

Washington

D.C.

Jany 31st 00

Sir;

I have the honor to report the approximate amount of Silver Bullion on hand at the close of business this day to be 2,900,348.33 Standard ounces; together with 120,512.00 Fine ounces unassayed

I am

Very Respectfully

R. M. Loxdale

Supt

Hon. H. G. Burchard

Director of the Mint

Washington

DC

Jany 31st 80

Sir

I have the honor to report the "Bullion Fund at the close of business this day at $16.213.694.84 : subdivided approximately as follows. viz:

Gold Coin	$ 2.162.344.14
" Bullion	6.432.988.68
Silver Coin	3.687.161.07
" Bullion	2.927.295.96
Total as above	$ 16.213.694.84

I am

Very Respectfully

Your Obt Servt

Hon H.C. Burchard

Director of the Mint

Washington D.C.

Mint of the United States at Philadelphia.

31st January 1880.

Sir,

I have the honor to enclose the Coiners Report of Coinage executed at this Mint, during the month ending 31st January 1880. By an examination you will see that we have more than filled the orders of the department in relation to gold and silver, with a very large production in minor coins.

The result is exceedingly gratifying to me

Very respectfully
Jno Rodgers Leggett
London Morders
Superintendent

Hon Horatio C. Burchard
Director of the Mint
Washington
D.C.

Ferry 2 @ 80

Handy & Cromwell

New York

30 days net 80

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107.371.88
123.037.44

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Gordon Burtles

July 2nd 80

Sir

I draw this day Check No. 11941 to the order of Messrs. Handy & Cronise for $ 21.033.47 in payment for Silver Bullion Sent

Very Respectfully
Your Obt Servt
London Morris
Supt

Hon. Thos. Hillhouse
Asst. Treas. U.S.
New York

Feb. 2nd 1850

Sir.

I enclose receipt No. 6 of Adams Express Company, for $832,163,07/100 gold coin, as follows:

Eagles	$417,163,07
Half-eagles	415,000,—

being the completion of the payment for invoice No. 2 of gold bullion, deposited by the U.S. Assay Office at New York.

Very respectfully,
Your obedient Servant,
Franklin Peale
Superintendent.

Thos. L. Acton, Esq.
U.S. Assay Office,
New-York.

Sir/

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of 31st inst. drawing attention to the error in transmitting Cents in payment of S/O No 9151 (Can) have to thank you for directing attention to the subject.

The account of this Mint for that day showed a shortage of the amount named.

Will you be kind enough to forward a Ten dollar note for the same which will save the express charge in returning it to the Mint?

Again thanking you, I remain very respy

L. Loring Brooks
Superintendent

Hon: M. H. Kennard
Ass: Treas: U.S.
Boston Mass

2nd February 80

Sir;

In reply to yours of 31st ult: requesting to have the price of the Henry dies submitted, I beg to say that Mr. Barber is willing to dispose of the dies at $250.- which is very reasonable.

To have a die as elegantly engraved as the one under consideration, would cost at least from four to five hundred dollars. I think therefore the Smithsonian institution is fortunate in being able to procure this die at so reasonable a rate.

I am Very respectfully
Your obedient Servant
A. Mackintosh
Superintendent

Hon: Horatio C. Bunchard
Director of the Mint
Washington D.C.

2nd February 0

Sir /

I have the honor to report that the very thorough examination made of our Standard weights reveals the fact that the divergence is much less than was reported in my last of January 19th. This is due to the imperfect appliances at the command of our adjuster: in other words the test had to be made on a one ounce weight, and any want of accuracy in that adjustment, multiplied 480 times in the larger weights, would make the divergence in the 500 ounce weight about half a grain light. The variation from the Standard is not sufficient to have interfered with the accuracy of the weights adjusted from our Standard so far as

the practical operations of the Mints and Assay offices are concerned.

There is enough divergence in the weights to justify having those that are from one to twenty ounces replaced by new ones from the Bureau of Weights and Measures. I have to request that you have a set of weights embracing the one to ten ounce, adjusted and sent to this institution for the annual assay. The other weights embracing all above those indicated will be adjusted by Mr Clark.

The reason for this request resides in the fact that the larger weights can be easily adjusted on account of the loose screw in the top, whereas

the smaller ones will have to be drill-
ed and platinum inserted)

Very respectfully
Your obedient Servant
Loudon Snowden
Superintendent

Hon Horatio C. Burchard
Director of the Mint
Washington
D. C.

February 2nd

Sir,

I have the honor to inform you that the two stamps for affixing the penalty clause to official mail matter, mentioned in your letter of 15th ult. as intended to be forwarded by mail on that day, have not been received. Please have them sent to me, as soon as convenient, for those now in use completely worn out.

Very respectfully,

Your obedient servant,

Adam Patterson

Superintendent.

Hon. Horatio C. Burchard,

Director of the Mint,

Washington, D. C.

Mint of the United States at Philadelphia,

Feb. 2nd, 188c

Sir,

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of remittance No. 2 of gold bullion from your office, as per letter of advice & memorandum of 31st ultimo.

Very respectfully,
Your obedient Servant,
Boyd Pierce
Superintendent.

Calvin J. Bowles,
U. S. Assayer,
Charlotte, N. C.

Mint of the United States at Philadelphia,

Feb. 2nd, 1880.

Sir,

I have the honor to enclose the Synopsis of the Engineer's Log at this Mint, for the month ending Jan. 31st, 1880.

Very respectfully,

Your obedient servant,

Duncan Murray

Superintendent.

Hon. Horatio C. Burchard,

Director of the Mint,

Washington, D. C.

Mint of the United States at Philadelphia,

Feb. 2nd, 1880.

Sir,

I have the honor to transmit the Statement of Minor Coinage Operations at this Mint, for the Month ending January 31st, 1880.

Very respectfully,

Your obedient servant,

A. Mason Kewley

Superintendent.

Hon. Horatio C. Burchard,

Director of the Mint,

Washington, D.C.

Mint of the United States at Philadelphia,

2nd February, 1880

Sir/

In pursuance of the nomination of the Engraver herewith endorsed, I have appointed George Morgan, an assistant in the Engravers department of this at a compensation of $8.- per diem to take effect on Confirmation, and respectfully submit the same for approval under section $3504 revised Statutes.

This nomination is simply to transfer Mr Morgan to the Regular Rolls of the Mint instead of having him paid out of the contingent fund as heretofore of this mint. This arrangement I suggested when in Washington and it met your approval

I am very respectfully

Your obedient Servant

A London Snowden

Superintendent

Hon: Horatio C. Burchard
Director of the Mint
Washington D.C.

Mint of the United States at Philadelphia,

3rd February 1880

Sir/

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of blank Certificates of Gold Deposit, as per. yr letter of 2nd inst.

Very respectfully
Your Obedient Servant
A. Loudon Snowden
Superintendent

Hon Horatio C. Burchard
Director of the Mint
Washington
D.C.

Mint of the United States at Philadelphia,

3rd February 188

Sir/

I have transferred you from the position of annealer in the Coiner's Department, to that of workman in the Assayer's Department at a compensation of $ 3.— per diem.

Very Respectfully

R. Loxley Snowden

Superintendent

Mr Geo. A. Ludlow

Mint of the United States at Philadelphia.

3rd. February 1880

Sir,

A manufacturing jewellery firm of this City have suspected for some time that an employé was robbing them. He recently confessed, and says he sold the gold and silver which he stole, to a certain man who is a depositor in this Mint. The Jewellers desire me to furnish the dates of the deposits and the amounts resulting therefrom, as furthering the ends of justice — would I be justified in doing so?

I am Very respectfully
Your obedient servant
A. Loudon Snowden
Superintendent

Hon: Horatio C. Burchard
Director of the Mint
Washington D.C.

Mint of the United States at Philadelphia,

4th February, 1880

Sir,

I write to direct your attention to the fact that under nomination from William L. Dubois, Assayer, I have transferred, with your concurrence George A. Ludlow from the Department over which you have charge, to the Assay Department of this Mint.

Please have Ludlow report to Mr. Dubois at once for duty

Very respectfully

London Morgan

Superintendent

Mr. O. C. Bosbyshell

Coiner

Mint of the United States at Philadelphia,

4th. February 1880

Sir

I have the honor to request your approval of the following changes to wit:- Joseph E Cusack from roller to annealer with compensation increased from $2.90 to $3.- per diem, in place of George A. Ludlow, transferred to Assayers Department:- also George W. McFarland from Helper to Roller with increased compensation from $2.75 to $2.90 per diem, in place of Joseph E. Cusack transferred to annealing department.

Very respectfully
Your Obedient Servant
A. Loudenslager
Superintendent

Hon. Horatio C. Burchard
Director of the Mint
Washington D.C.

Mint of the United States at Philadelphia,

Feb. 4th, 1880

Sir.

I have the honor to enclose Mem.* 199 of Gold bullion received from the U. S. Assay Office at Charlotte, N. C.

Very respectfully,

Your obedient Servant,

A. Loudon Snowden

Superintendent.

Hon. Horatio C. Burchard,

Director of the Mint,

Washington, D. C.

Mint of the United States at Philadelphia,

Feb. 4th, 1880.

Sir,

I have the honor to enclose Mem.* 199 of Gold bullion, being remittance No. 2 received from your office, as per letter of advice & memorandum of 31st ult.

Very respectfully,

Your obedient servant,

Linder Snowden

Superintendent.

Calvin J. Cowles, Esq.

U. S. Assayer.

Charlotte, N. C.

Mint of the United States at Philadelphia,

February 5th, 1880.

Sir.

By order of the Director of the Mint, the proportion of coins to be made at this Mint during the current month is fixed as follows.

Standard Silver dollars	$1,000,000
Double Eagles	$1,000,000

Eagles & half-eagles, in equal proportions, as many as may be practicable.

Very respectfully yours,
J. L. LeConte.
Chief Clerk.

C. B. Bosbyshell, Esq.
Coiner.

Mint of the United States at Philadelphia,

Feb. 5th, 1880

Sir:

I have the honor to enclose the Statement of Silver purchased at this Mint from January 26th to 31st, 1880.

Very respectfully,

Your obedient servant,

Superintendent.

Hon. Horatio C. Burchard,
Director of the Mint,
Washington,
D. C.

Mint of the United States at Philadelphia,

Feb. 5th, 1880.

Sir,

I have the honor to request that a supply of blank reports of Official Postage Stamps used & on hand, may be forwarded for the use of this Mint: and also, that a quantity of one-cent & three-cent official stamps, say Seven Hundred (700) of each may be sent to me, in order that the six-cent stamps on hand may be utilized for registering letters.

Very respectfully,
Your obedient servant
A. Loudon Snowden
Superintendent.

Hon. John Sherman.
Secretary of the Treasury.
Washington, D. C.

Mint of the United States at Philadelphia,

5th. Febry, 1886.

Sir;

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of a box of Gold bullion forwarded by Pacific Express as per your letter of advice and invoice of 31st ult.

Very respectfully
Your obedient Servant
Loudon Snowden
Supt.

A. Silver Esq.
Assayer in Charge
U.S. Mint
Denver Col.

Mint of the United States at Philadelphia.

5th. February 1880.

My dear Preston /

I enclose herewith as requested a set of proof coin for the year 1880

I am

Very truly your friend

A. Loudon Snowden

R. E. Preston Esq
Bureau of the Mint
Washington
D.C.

Mint of the United States at Philadelphia,

5th February 1880.

Dear Sir/

For fear that your attention has not been directed to the fact, I take the liberty of informing you that under the law, you are ex officio a member of the Assay Commission, and Chairman of the same.

The Assay Commission will assemble in this Mint on the morning of Feb.y 11th. at 10 O'clock for organization and for the work of testing the Coinage of the Mints of the United States for the year 1879.

I enclose herewith a copy of the Rules for the organization and government of the Board of Assay Commissioners, for your perusal. Any suggestions

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in relation to the matter that I can give you, I shall be glad to furnish.

I am very respectfully

Your obedient Servant

Linderman

Superintendent

Hon: William Butler

Judge District Court U.S.

for the Eastern District of Penn.a

Mint of the United States at Philadelphia.

5th. February 1880.

Sir,

I have the honor to enclose herewith bid of the Benedict and Burnham Manufacturing Company for the supply of One hundred thousand pounds (100.000) of one cent blanks at forty and a half cents (40½ ¢) per pound.

This is two and a half cents, (2½ cts) a pound higher than the last bid, but as copper has advanced in the meantime from 2¼ to 3 cts a pound, the bid is at a less rate than the last one accepted.

This firm has filled previous orders in a most satisfactory manner

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and I hope that the present bid will be accepted and I be directed to contract with them for the amount named at as early a day as possible

I have the honor to remain

Your Obedient Servant

Rowson Snowden

Superintendent

Hon: Horatio C Burchard
Director of the Mint
Washington
D.C.

July 6th 80

Sir

I am in receipt of a communication from the Director of the Mint inclosing your bill for $41.55 for expenses incured in visiting the Mint for the purpose of testing the Standard weights in use there—

I Enclose herewith a blank warrant for the amount of your bill, which I will thank you to receipt and return to me by next mail, when I will forward you the amount due you

Very Respectfully
J. L. Lesconte
acting Supt

A. D. Clark Esq
Coast Survey Office
Washington D.C.

Mint of the United States at Philadelphia

6th February, 1880

Sir,

I have the honor to enclose C/D of the U.S. Assistant Treasurer at Philadelphia No 5728 for $559.18/100 on a/c of Refining Charges

Have the kindness to transmit the same to the Treasurer of the United States, as usual?

Very respectfully
Your Obedient Servant
Linderman
Superintendent

Hon. Horatio C. Burchard
Director of the Mint
Washington
D.C.

Private.

6th. February 1880

My Dear Mr. Secretary:

I enclose herein a communication received from Mr A. L. Schaffer Cashier of the Second National Bank in relation to receiving gold from the Mint on deposit of Coin funds at the Assistant Treasury in New York

This is a subject I spoke to you of when you were here. It is creating considerable feeling among our business people and if you could, under the law, make an arrangement by which on the deposit of Coin money with the Assistant Treasurer of the United States at New York the gold could be delivered here it would be doing a good

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thing in every way, confident I hope you
may see your way clear to do ~~it~~
I am with respect &c
Very truly Your obedient Servant
Gordon Granger
Lt Col

Hon Asst Secretary
of Treasury
Washington
D.C.

Feb. 7th, 1880.

Sir:

I have the honor to enclose Mem. #220 of Gold bullion received from your Mint, as per letter of Advice, & Schedule of 31st ult. previously acknowledged.

Very respectfully.
Your obedient servant.
Horace Pumpelly
Superintendent.

A. Silver, Esq.
Assayer in Charge.
U. S. Mint.
Denver, Col.

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Feb. 7th 1880

Sir.

I have the honor to enclose Memo. 220 of Gold Bullion received from the U. S. Mint. Denver, Col.

Very respectfully,
Your obedient servant,
Linderman
Superintendent.

Hon. Horatio C. Burchard.
Director of the Mint.
Washington, D. C.

Mint of the United States at Philadelphia.

Feb. 7th, 1880.

Sir,

I returns herewith the bill of the Coines of this mint for two (2) sets of Metric coins, in the form indicated in your letter of 6th inst.

Very respectfully,
Your obedient servant.
Adam Kinsley
Superintendent.

Hon. Horatio C. Burchard,
Director of the Mint,
Washington, D. C.

Mint of the United States at Philadelphia,

7th: February 1880.

Sir/

I have the honor to request the transfer of $300000.- Standard Silver dollars from the bullion fund of this Mint to the Treasury of the United States.

This transfer is absolutely necessary on account of want of room in this institution

I am very respectfully
Your Obedient Servant
A. Loudon Snowden
Superintendent

Hon: Horatio C Burchard
Director of the Mint
Washington
D.C

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6th: February, 1880.

Sir,

I have the honor to submit for your consideration the following facts.

A manufacturing jeweler in this City suspecting that they were being robbed by an employé ultimately obtained his confession to that effect. The employé then gave to his employer the name of the party to whom he sold the stolen silver and gold. This party has been depositing the bullion in this Mint for coinage and I am asked by the firm to give to them, the dates of deposits and amounts of deposit made by this receiver of stolen goods.

Under the circumstances am I doing my duty in doing so, or in declining to do

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to – except under process of law

I am very respectfully

Your Obedient Servant

Superintendent

John K. Valentine Esq.

U.S. District Attorney

Philadelphia

Mint of the United States
at Phila.
6th February 1880

Respectfully referred to the Secretary of the Treasury for such information as he may see fit to communicate

Superintendent

Rec'd Feby 6th 1880.

Feby. 7th 80

Sir

I draw this day Check No. 1115 favor Handy & Conside for $93.000. 1116 " J & W. Seligman & Co. 42.000. in payment for Silver Dollars.

Very Respectfully
Lucius Tuttle
Supt.

Hon. Thos Hillhouse.
Asst. Treas. U.S.
New York.

THE MINT OF THE UNITED STATES,

AT

PHILADELPHIA, PENN.

Feby 7th 1880.

Sir:

I have the honor to report the approximate amount of Silver Bullion on hand at the close of business this day to be 2.664.924.82 standard ounces; together with 147.000.00 gross ounces unassayed.

Very Respectfully,

Your obedient servant,

Linderman
Superintendent

Hon. Horatio C. Burchard,
Director of the Mint.
Washington, D. C.

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7th: February, 1880

Sir/

In reply to yours of the 4th inst. I beg to return herewith the five 3ct pieces forwarded for examination by you.

They are all genuine, and one piece, which Dr Hare wrapped in tissue paper is overweight. This sometimes happens in our Coinage as they are not adjusted either by the draw bench or by hand (as may be two or three grains from the standard prescribed by Law.

I may say in this connection that the weights of gold and silver Coins in the United

States, is not only regulated by the draw bench but is adjusted by hand

I am very respectfully yours
Horatio Morton
Superintendent

J. D. Gülager Esq
Redemption Clerk
Office Ass. Treas. U.S.
New York
N.Y.

Mint of the United States at Philadelphia,

7th. February 1880.

Sir /

You will oblige me by indicating the number of Commissioners who will participate in the Annual Assay on the 11th inst. by return mail?

I presume you will bring a clerk with you from Washington.

My object in asking the question is to make preparation for their reception here

I am very respectfully

Your obedient Servant

A. Loudon Snowden

Superintendent

Hon: Horatio C. Burchard

Director of the Mint

Washington

D.C.

7th. February 0

My dear Mr Bancroft

I have to acknowledge the receipt of your letter in reference to one I directed to the Secretary in regard to the appointment of Prof. Coppée. That letter I wrote at the suggestion of some prominent gentlemen here and intended it to reach the Secretary before the general list was made up, knowing he would put him on.

The appointment of Prof. R , on the Commission I desired more as a matter of interest to the Commission than anything else. He informed me however last night that he was making preparation to go to Europe and it would have been impossible for him to serve.

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Thanking you for your kind attention in the matter

I remain very truly your friend

R. Loudon Snowden

Hon Horatio C Burchard
Director of the Mint
Washington
D.C.

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Feb. 7th, 1880.

Sir.

I have the honor to enclose the Coiner's report of Coinage executed for the week ending Feb. 7th, 1880.

Very respectfully.

Your obedient Servant.

Horace Mooney

Superintendent.

Hon. Horatio C. Burchard.

Director of the Mint.

Washington, D. C.

Mint of the United States at Philadelphia,

9th. February 1880

Sir;

Capt. John R. Snyder having resigned his position as Conductor to take effect on the 15th. inst. his name will be dropped from the rolls from and after that date

I am very respectfully
Your obedient Servant

Superintendent

Hon. Horatio C. Burchard
Director of the Mint
Washington
D.C.

Mint of the United States at Philadelphia.

9th. February 1880

Sir/

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter authorizing me to accept the bid of Benedict & Burnham Manufacturing Co to furnish one hundred thousand pounds (100.000 lbs) at 40½ cents.

I regret the oversight of the Clerk in not enclosing the bid. He was so directed and the bid handed to him.

I enclose it herewith

I am Very respectfully
Your obedient Servant
A. Loudon Snowden
Superintendent

Hon. Horatio C. Burchard
Director of the Mint
Washington DC

THE MINT OF THE UNITED STATES,
AT
PHILADELPHIA, PENN.

Feby 9th 1880.

Sir,

I have the honor to report the "Bullion Fund" at the close of business on the 7th inst., at 15.088.710.44 subdivided approximately as follows viz:

Gold Coin	1.593.698.50
Gold Bullion	6.998.649.32
Silver Coin	3.832.072.70
Silver Bullion	2,664.449.92
Total as above	15.088.710.44

Very respectfully

Your obedient servant,

Louden Snowden
Superintendent

Gen. Horatio C. Burchard,
Director of the Mint.
Washington D. C.

Mint of the United States at Philadelphia.

Feby. 9th 1880

Sir

I draw this day Acct No.
1197 favr J & W. Seligman & Co. 10.578.08
1198 " Handy & Cromie 4.115.13
in payment for Silver Bullion.

I am
Very Respectfully
Your Obt Servt
A. Loudon Snowden
Supt

Hon Thos. Hillhouse
Asst. Treas. U.S.
New York

Feby 9th 80

Stanley and
Cromwell, New York
5th inst 80

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Gladden Thornberg

Feby 9th 80

J & W. Seligman

& Co. New York

Draft 80

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25.553.52

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London Thursday

Feby 9th 80

Jany 31st inst

I am in receipt of Certificate No. 1818
for £1,000.000, dated Jany 30th inst,
which does not appear in your
Statement

A London Trustee
Supt.

Mint of the United States at Philadelphia.

9th February 1880

Sir/

The last invoice of gold bullion received from your office, melt No 92, Containing 26 bars was invoiced at 5777.50 gross ounces, was stamped 961½ fine giving 6172.296 Standard ounces. On assay this fineness was found to be incorrect.

The first bars tested were only 935.5, and 934.6 fine; two other bars were assayed, giving a fineness of 961.3 each. These tests being unsatisfactory all the bars, from 1, to 26 were assayed separately with the following results:-

Nos 1, 2, 5 to 16 & 18 to 26 inclusive, 5925 ozs. fineness 961.3, yielding 5474.016 ozs. Standard

" 3 218.70. " 935.5 equal to 227.326 " "

" 4 225.33 " 934.6 " " 233.993 " "

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No 17

To 208.82 fineness 930. yielding 215.671

Total standard ounces as per our assay 6150.806

" " " " your " 6172.296

Shortage in standard ounces 21.490

I report this matter for your consideration and such action as you may think best to take: whether to accept our assay and forward the amount due us on the invoice or have the bars reassayed, under such circumstances as you may see fit to indicate

The discrepancy is so great, as would seem to require careful consideration

I am very respectfully Yours

Loudon Snowden

Superintendent

Thomas A. Acton Esqr

Supt. N.Y. Assay Office

New York

N.Y.

Mint of the United States at Philadelphia,

10th February, 1880

Sir;

In view of the inaccuracy in reported fineness in bars recently sent here from the Assay Office in New York, do you not think it would be wise to have all the bars from that institution assayed separately here.

I know it will add considerably to your work but would it not be more satisfactory to you and to the Melter and Refiner?

Such serious mistakes as those indicated in the assays of the last invoice, certainly startle one and would seem to indicate that we should take all the precaution possible to avoid having errors of this kind pass unnoticed

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through our hands

Very respectfully

Boudin Snowden

Superintendent

M. H. E. Dubois

Assayer

Feby 10 1880

Sir

You are hereby authorized to return to circulation the three ($3) Gold Proof set of the Coinage of 1879. Now remaining in your hands.

Yours respectfully
Linderman
Superintendent

M. H. Cobb Esq.
Cashier U.S. Mint
Philad.

Mint of the United States at Philadelphia,

Feby 10 1880.

Sir

I have this day directed the Cashier to return to circulation the three (3) Gold Proof sets of the Coinage of 1879 now in his hands.

Very respectfully

A. Loudon Snowden

Superintendent

Hon Horatio C. Burchard

Director of the Mint

Washington

D. C.

Mint of the United States at Philadelphia,

Feby. 10th, 1880

Sir.

As requested in your telegram of this date, I beg to return herewith your Statement of my Disbursing Ac. dated Jany 31st, 1880.

I am

Very Respectfully

Your Obt Servt

Lyndon Smith

Supt

Hon Thos Hillhouse

Asst Treas. U.S.

New York

Mint of the United States at Philadelphia,

February 10th, 1880

Sir.

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 7th inst, informing me that my Bullion A/cs. for the period ended June 30th 1879 have been adjusted at the Treasury, and that the balances in the Assets on that day are correct.

Heretofore, you have disallowed the sum of $11.556.61, being the amount of certain charges paid by my predecessor to the Adams Express Co. for transportation of Silver Coin. As no reference is made to this disallowance in your letter, I write to inquire if the same has been adjusted.

I have the honor to be
Very Respectfully
A. London Snowden
Supt

Hon. A. G. Porter
1st Comptroller
Dep. Treasury
Washington
D.C.

11th Febry 50

Prof. J. C. Hillgard Office U.S. Coast Survey ~~Washington~~

Please have weights from one

to ten ounces forwarded at once

H. A. Burchard

Director

Government rates

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Feby. 11th, 1880

Sir.

I have the honor to request that you will cause a draft to be issued in my favor for the sum of Fifteen thousand (15.000) Dollars, chargeable to the "Appropriation for expenses of Coinage of the Standard Silver Dollar." I beg to state that a bill for Copper for alloying Silver Ingots, amounting to some $7.000- will be rendered for payment within a day or two, and that Pay rolls for about $6000- must be charged to this Fund at the close of the month, together with other current expenses incidental to the coinage of the U.S. Silver

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Dollar. It is with these facts in view that I would respectfully request that this draft and also those called for in my requisitions of the 2nd inst be transmitted at as early a day as possible

I have the honor to be
Very Respectfully
Your obt Servt
Louden Snowden
Supt

H. E. Preston Esq
Acting Director of the Mint
Washington
D.C.

Mint of the United States at Philadelphia,

Feby 11th, 1880

Sir.

I beg to enclose herewith your bills for expenses incurred in visiting this Mint under the instructions of the Director, for the purpose of testing the Standard Weights in use here.

On examining these bills I find that you have not receipted them, and I have therefore to request that you will affix your signature to them, and return to me by next mail, when I will forward you a draft for the amount.

I am Respectfully
London Smith
Supt

J. H. Clark Esqr
U.S. Coast Survey Office
Washington
D.C.

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Sir

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of a circular sent by you enclosing blank forms on which I am requested to designate some person to act for me during any temporary absence from this institution.

I beg to direct your attention to the Coinage Act of 1873, upon this point which says "In "case of the temporary absence of the Superin= "tendent the Chief Clerk shall act in his place"

Acting under this law will it be necessa= ry for me to fill these blanks in conformity with your suggestion. If so I will cheerfully comply with your request I have the honor to remain

Very respectfully your obedient servant

London Pawley
Superintendent

Hon: John B. Hawley
asst. Sec: of the Treasury
Washington D.C.

Mint of the United States at Philadelphia,

Feby 12 1880

Sir

In compliance with your request of the 6th inst, I send by Adams Express, One Silver Life Saving Medal of the Second class, and enclose herewith bills for the Medal, Case and Engraving amounting to $12.46 which have been paid Out of the Medal Fund.

I also enclose duplicate Vouchers for the Medal, which please Sign and return to this Office

Very respectfully

Boyd Cumings

Superintendent

Hon Horatio C. Burchard

Director of the Mint

Washington, D. C

12th. February 0

Sir/

Will you be kind enough to direct that another Set of Directors Reports, for the year 1879 be sent to this institution, as applications for them still continue to be received, and our Stock on hand is exhausted

Very respectfully
Your Obedient Servant
[illegible]
Superintendent

R. B. Roston Esq
Acting Director of the Mint
Washington
D.C.

Mint of the United States at Philadelphia.

Dec. 12th, 1880

Sir,

I have the honor to enclose List No. 5 of Towns to which Silver coin has been forwarded by the Adams Express Co. since list No. 4 was sent to your office, December 31st, 1879.

Very respectfully,
Your obedient servant,
Linderman Boyd
Superintendent.

R. E. Preston, Esq:
Acting Director of the Mint.
Washington, D. C.

Mint of the United States at

12th: February

Sir;

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 11th. inst requesting a return of gold melt No. 92 in three bars of which there is some discrepancy between the assay of your office and this Mint.

As I have no authority to send bullion from this Mint except under orders from the Bureau or Department, I have referred the matter to the Director of the Mint who is here in attendance upon the annual Assay, and after a full presentation of all the facts, he is of opinion that we could not be justified in sending this whole melt back to New York, at an expense in transportation of

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of over one hundred dollars when there is only a discrepancy in three bars in the melt of twenty six, and the discrepancy only amounting to Twenty one dollars.

After this conversation with the Director, and in harmony with his views, I beg to suggest the propriety of your sending some person from your office — the Melter and Refiner, or any one else you may designate — to thoroughly examine into the subject here, in conjunction with Mr Du Bois, Assayer (and Mr Booth, Melter and Refiner.

If after this examination you desire any portion of this Melt returned, the matter can be referred to the Director

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for his action

I am

Very respectfully your Obedient Servant

Robert Maskey

Superintendent

Hon: Thomas C. Acton

Superintendent of the Assay Office

New York

N.Y.

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Feby 12th, 1880.

Sir:

I have the honor to enclose herewith my Ofc of "Refinery Expenses" for the Month of January 1880.

I am

Very Respectfully

Your Obt Servt

Louis Morris

Chief

R. E. Preston Esq

Actg Director of the Mint

Washington

D.C.

Mint of the United States at Philadelphia,

Feby 12th, 1880.

Sir;

I have the honor to enclose herewith my Standard Silver Dollar pc for the Month of January 1880.

I am

Very Respectfully

London Thornley

Supt.

R. E. Preston Esq

Actg Director of the Mint

Washington

D.C.

Mint of the United States at Philadelphia,

February 13th 1880

Sir.

I beg to enclose herewith my individual check to your order for the sum of Forty one 55/100 ($41.55) Dollars in payment of your bill for travelling expenses incurred in visiting the Mint for the purpose of testing the weights in use here.

I am
Very Respectfully
Your obt servt
Supt

James J. Clark Esqr
U.S. Survey & Geodetic Office
Washington
D.C.

Mint of the United States at Philadelphia,

Feby. 10th, 1880

Sir.

I draw this day Check No. 11177 favor J. B. Colgate & Co. for $90.00 in payment for Silver Bullion.

Very Respectfully
Landreth Harrison
Supt

Hon. Thos. Hillhouse
Asst. Treas U.S.
New York

Mint of the United States at Philadelphia.

Feby 18th 1880.

Sir;

I have the honor to enclose herewith my a/c of "Ordinary Expenses" for the Month of January 1880.

I am

Very Respectfully

London Ormsby

Supt

R. E. Preston Esq

Actg Director of the Mint

Washington

D.C.

Mint of the United States at Philadelphia,

Feb. 13th, 1880.

Sir.

I have the honor to enclose the Statement of Silver purchased at this Mint, from February 2nd to 7th, 1880.

Very respectfully,

Your obedient servant,

Loudon Snowden

Superintendent.

Hon. Horatio C. Burchard,

Director of the Mint,

Washington, D. C.

Feby 12th 80

J. D. Colgate & Co.

New York

12th inst. 80

98.876.90

98.776.26

1.1434 112.910.78

Gordon Knowles

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Mint of the United States at Philadelphia,

Feby 14th, 1880

Sir.

I draw this day Check No. 1200 favor J. B. Colgate & Co. for $22.940.78 in payment for Silver Bullion.

I am,
Very Respectfully
Your Obt Servt
Linderman
Supt.

Hon. Thos. Fillhouse
Asst. Treas. U.S.
New York

Mint of the United States at Philadelphia,

Feb. 14th, 1880.

Sir,

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of shipment No. 11 of gold bullions, from the U. S. Assay Office, Helena, Montana, as per your letter of advice of 12th inst. enclosing invoice.

Very respectfully,
Your obedient servant,
A. Loudon Snowden
Superintendent.

Russell B. Harrison, Esq.
Assayer in Charge,
U. S. assay Office,
Helena, Mont.

Mint of the United States at Philadelphia.

14th. February 1880

Sir

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of 13th. inst., and beg to express my regret that by some clerical error, which I am at present unable to account for, the wrong figures were given you in my letter of the 9th inst.

The facts are that the gross weight of the 23 bars to which reference was made is 5124.95 ounces, instead of 5925 ounces, as given in my letter of the 9th. The standard ounces given there were correct; to wit, 3474.016. The difference between the standard ounces as ascertained at this Mint, and those given in your invoice is 21.49 ounces. This was named as dollars in my

letter of the 12th. inst. You will observe that my letter of the 12th. was in reply to yours requesting the return of the whole melt, instead of the 3 bars. Your telegram requesting the return of the three bars was received after the letter had been written, therefore the cost which you give in your letter of this morning of $6.30 for transportation of the bullion to New York and back – as it would have to come back in the end – would seem not to apply to the case I had under consideration.

I have no doubt that when Mr Mason arrives here, the whole question can be settled.

The difficulty under which

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I rested in connection with your request to send the bullion was, that I had no authority to return the metal or any portion thereof, without instructions from Washington

I am very respectfully Yours

Loudon Snowden

Superintendent

Hon Thomas A. Acton
Sup't U. S. Assay Office
New York
N.Y.

Mint of the United States at Philadelphia,

Feb. 14th, 1880.

Sir,

I have the honor to enclose the Coiner's Report of Coinage executed during the week ending Feb. 14th 1880.

Very respectfully,
Your obedient servant.
Loudon Snowden
Superintendent.

Hon. Horatio C. Burchard.
Director of the Mint.
Washington, D.C.

Mint of the United States at Philadelphia,

14th. February 1880

Sir/

I have the honor to enclose Memo. No. 259 of Gold bullion, being remittance received from your office, as per letter of advice and invoice of 12th. inst.

Very respectfully
Your obedient Servant
Boudoir Morris
Superintendent

Russell B. Harrison Esqr
U. S. assayer
Helena
Montana

Mint of the United States at Philadelphia.

14th. February 1880

Sir/

I have the honor to enclose memorandum No 259 of Gold bullion, received from the United States Assay Office at Helena Montana

Very respectfully
Your Obedient Servant
A. London Snowden
Superintendent

Hon. Horatio C. Burchard
Director of the Mint

THE MINT OF THE UNITED STATES,

AT

PHILADELPHIA, PENN.

Feby 14th 1880.

Sir:

I have the honor to report the approximate amount of Silver Bullion on hand at the close of business this day to be 2.574.336.64 standard ounces, together with ——— gross ounces unassayed.

Very Respectfully,

Your obedient servant,

Superintendent

Hon. Horatio C. Burchard,

Director of the Mint.

Washington, D. C.

Febry 16th, 1880

Sir.

I have the honor to inform you that the following named Assay Coins for the year 1879 are now in my possession, and ready for transfer to the Ref. Bullion Fund.

	Gold	Silver
Mint & Assay San Francisco	$ 28.980.-	$ 4.555.
Do. Carson City	360.-	378.
Do New Orleans	80.-	1.462.
Total	$ 29.420.-	6.395

I have the honor to be

Very Respectfully

London Ormsby

Supt.

Hon. Horatio C. Burchard

Director of the Mint

Washington

D.C.

May 16th 1880

Sir.

I have to inform you that the Messrs. Seligman & Co, New York, are in arrears in the delivery of Silver Bullion sold the United States on the 6th inst, to the amount of about 30,000. Ounces.

Very Respectfully
A. Loudon Snowden
Supt

Hon. Horatio C. Burchard
Director of the Mint
Washington
D.C.

Feb. 16th 80

Sir,

I have the honor to enclose for transmittal to the Hon. Secretary of the Treasury, C/D No. 5130 of the U.S. Assistant Treasurer at Philadelphia, for $1000 being one ½ of Profits of Medal Fund.

Very respectfully,
Your obedient servant,
A. Loudon Snowden
Superintendent.

Hon. Horatio C. Burchard,
Director of the Mint,
Washington, D.C.

Mint of the United States at Philadelphia,

Feb. 16th, 1880.

Sir.

I enclose, receipt No. 7 of Adams Express Co. for $750,000 gold coin. of the following denominations:

Eagles	$250,000
Half Eagles	500,000

in partial payment of Invoice No. 3 of gold bullion deposited at this Mint by the U. S. Assay Office at Newyork.

Very respectfully.

Your obedient servant.

A. London Snowden

Superintendent.

Thos. L. Acton Esq.

Supt U. S. Assay Office.

Newyork.

THE MINT OF THE UNITED STATES,

AT

PHILADELPHIA, PENN.

Feby 16th 1880.

Sir,

I have the honor to report the Bullion

Fused at the close of business on the 14th inst., at

14.773.246.83 as under; approximately

as follows, viz:

Gold Coin	2.896.330.00
Gold Bullion	5.703.861.47
Silver Coin	3.782.238.37
Silver Bullion	2.390.816.99
Total as above	14.773.246.83

Very respectfully

Your obedient servant

A. London Snowden

Superintendent

Hon. Horatio C. Burchard

Chief of the Mint

Washington D. C.

Febry. 17th 80

Director of the Mint.

Seligman sends twenty five thousand (25,000) ounces silver at one hundred four nine fifty. (11450) also ounces about five thousand (5000) ounces at one hundred fourteen forty five (111.45). Shall I receive it. Answer quick.

(Cipher Code)

A. Loudon Snowden
Asst

Feb. 14th 80

Sir.

In my requisition for Stationery made Dec. 2nd. 1879, a supply of tablets, or blocks of paper of various sizes, for memoranda &c. was asked for; but in the packages thus far received, none have been contained.

The supply on hand is now exhausted, & I write to ask you to have the kindness to enquire from the Chief of the Division of Stationery &c., when the requisition will be filled by the contractor.

Very respectfully,

Your obedient servant

John L. Sibonte.

acting Superintendent.

Hon. Horatio C. Burchard.

Director of the Mint.

Washington, D. C.

Mint of the United States at Philadelphia,

Feby. 17th, 1880

Sir.

I draw this day Check No. 1201 favor Handy & Coville for $79.000. in payment for Silver Bullion.

Very Respectfully
A. Loudon Snowden
Supt.

Hon. Thos. Hillhouse
Asst. Treasurer U.S.
N.Y.

Mint of the United States at Philadelphia,

Feby. 17th, 1880

Sir.

The following telegram sent you this day is hereby made official.

Seligman Sends twenty five thousand (25.000) ounces Silver at one hundred fourteen fifty. (114 50) Still owes about five thousand (5000) ounces at one hundred fourteen forty five (114 45). Shall I receive it? Answer

I am

Very Respectfully

A. Loudon Snowden

Supt

Hon Horatio C. Burchard

Director of the Mint

Washington

D. C.

Mint of the United States at Philadelphia,

17th February 1880

Sir,

Mr. Mason has made an informal request for dimes, and in reply I beg to say that we have no dimes on hand for shipment.

I understand from the Cashier that there is a large amount of this Coin at the Assistant Treasurers office in this City.

I shall order a shipment of gold from your office as soon as I have room to receive it

I am Very respectfully your obedient Servant

A. Loudon Snowden

Superintendent

Hon: Thos. Acton

Superintendent Assay Office

New York

N.Y.

Mint of the United States at Philadelphia.

17th February 1880

Sir,

I have the honor to transmit statements of Silver purchased at the Mint from February 9th to February 14th 1880

Very respectfully
Your Obedient Servant
Linderman
Superintendent

Hon. Horatio C. Burchard
Director of the Mint
Washington
D.C.

Mint of the United States at Philadelphia,

February 18th, 1880

Sir.

I forward this day per Express to be put containing my Journal of D. for the 4th quarter 1879.

I am
Very Respectfully
Yours

Hon. H. C. Burchard
Director of the Mint
Washington
D.C.

Mint of the United States at Philadelphia,

Feby. 18th 1880

Sir.

I draw this day check No. 12062 favor Haney & Crane Jr for $19.260.26 in payment for Silver Bullion.

Very Respectfully

Supt.

Hon. Thos Hillhouse
Asst. Treasurer U.S.
New York.

Feb. 18th 80

Sir.

In accordance with your letters of 14th & 16th inst. I forward by mail this day a package of blank forms used at the annual assay, and twenty copies of the Rules for the organization & government of the Board of Commissioners.

A blank Certificate of Gold Deposit is enclosed.

Very respectfully,
Your obedient servant.

Superintendent.

Hon. Horatio C. Burchard.
Director of the Mint.
Washington, D. C.

19th. February 0

Sir;

In further reference to the subject of an appropriation to procure specimens of ores, coins, medals, &c., for the Mint Cabinet, which I had the honor to discuss personally with you when you were here, I beg to say, that the history of the appropriations for this purpose may thus be briefly stated:

For three years from 1839 there was an appropriation of one thousand dollars a year. After that the appropriation varied from two to three hundred dollars. Of late years however, this appropriation, for some reason has been entirely discontinued, and the Cabinet for which it was appropriated has received no benefit of any consequence. The last fiscal year, there was but forty six dollars

used in purchasing the ordinary Coinage.

It is desirable to keep up with the new issue of Coins of all countries for the purpose of answering inquiries, as well as completing our Cabinet as a place of Education to persons having a taste in this direction. Opportunities frequently present themselves here for the purchase of rare specimens of bullion containing quartz which may be purchased at the bullion value but which are worth in other Cabinets many times their intrinsic value. I

It should be remembered that money spent in perfecting the Cabinet of Coins, minerals, &c, is not really lost, but is only invested, and the result is, an increase every year, in the value of the Coins and specimens purchased, so that the Government, in a

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pecuniary point of view, is simply making an investment which in my judgment is a most profitable one.

The present want of the Cabinet is in specimen pieces. If an appropriation of Five hundred dollars ($500.-) could be had (and) Continued for two or three years, the appropriation might then fall down to Two hundred and would meet all our wants. I would therefore respectfully recommend that an appropriation be made either directly from the Treasury or that the Superintendent of the Mint at Philadelphia be authorized to use so much of the profits arising from the manufacture and sale of proof Coins (and) medals - not exceeding Five hundred dollars - as may be necessary to perfect and complete

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the Cabinet of Coins and medals. It would perhaps be found more easy to adopt the latter plan, although I leave that to your better judgment.

Hoping that some favorable action may be taken that will enable me to complete the Cabinet, or, at least to perfect it

I remain

Very respectfully your Obedient Servant

A. Loudon Snowden

Superintendent

Hon: Horatio C. Burchard

Director of the Mint

Washington

D.C.

Feb. 19th 80

Sir.

A transfer letter issued from your office, on Feb. 14th, for $500 S.S., in favor of "Henry Co., Bank of C.R. Wheeler & Co., Cambridge. Ills.", numbered 2360, has been received at this Mint.

As this number is apparently a clerical error for 5360, I would respectfully ask you to authorize me to have the correction made.

Very respectfully,
Your obedient servant.
A. London Snowden
Superintendent.

Hon. Jas. Gilfillan,
Treasurer U. S.
Washington, D.C.

19th Feb. 80

Sir,

I have to report that the sample of mineral sent by you to this Mint to be tested, is only iron pyrites, and of no value.

Very respectfully

A. Loudon Snowden

Superintendent

Wm. S. C. Kinsey Esq.
Boonsboro
Washington County
Maryland

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Feby 19th 80

Jos. V. Seligman

& Co. New York

6th inst 80

25.753.85

25.696.44

29.409.58

11440 ℔

This firm still remains for about cg. 5000 @ 11450 ℔ - Germans still

per London Chamber

Febry 19th 80

Hanay and
Cronin
12th inst 80

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10.684.18
11428 11.520.468

Linden Gardens

[illegible] the United States at Philadelphia,

Feby 19th, 1880

Sir.

I draw this day Check No. 1203 favor Handy & Son. mint for $17.930.92 and Check No. 1204 favor J & W. Seligman & Co. for $29.244.94 in payment for Silver Bullion.

Very Respectfully
A. Loudon Snowden
Supt

Hon. Thos. Hillhouse
Asst. Treasurer U.S.
New York

Feby 28th 80

Sir;

I have the honor to return herewith my Ps of Ordinary Expenses, the pay roll of Officers & Clerks -, the pay roll of the Engraving Dept. and the abstract of disbursements for the Month of January 1880, with the corrections made as requested in your letter of 17th inst.

I am

Very Respectfully

R. London Rhodes

Chief Clerk

Supt

Gen'l H. G. Burchard

Director of the Mint

Washington

D.C.

Feb. 20th 80

Sir.

I enclose receipt No. 8 of Adams Express for a package containing the following coins struck at this Mint during February, 1880, & sent to your office for special assay.

1. Double Eagle	$ 20,00
1 Eagle	10,00
1 Half Eagle	5,00
5 Standard Silver Dollars	5,00

Very respectfully,
Your obedient servant,
Horace Rowday
Superintendent.

Thos. L. Acton, Esq.
Supt. U. S. assay office,
New York.

Feby 20th 0

Sir

I forward this day by Adams Express the Silver Life Saving Medal returned by you on the 13th inst for alteration in the engraving.

I have had the Medal entirely re-engraved, without further expense, and hope it will now prove satisfactory

Very respectfully
Your Obedient Servant
A. London Snowden
Superintendent

Hon Horatio C. Burchard
Director of the Mint
Washington
D. C

...nt of the United States at Philadelphia,

Feby 20th, 1880

Sir.

I draw this day Check No. 1205 favor J. B. Colgate & Co for $86.002 12 in payment for Silver Bullion.

Very Respectfully
A. Loudon Snowden
Supt

Hon. Thos. Hillhouse
Asst. Treas U.S.
New York

Feby 20th 80

J. D. Colgate & Co

New York

19th inst 80

75.519.65

75.847.92

11414 &

86.002.12

Hudson Lumber Co

Stony 20th 80

J. & W. Seligman

& Co. New York

5th inst 80

20.291.15

20.244.20

11400# 23.179.61

London Sunday

See Letter Director Mint (Feby 1880- directing that this original be returned by Washington as a voucher for the entries in Ordy a/c- Feby 1880 Ha Dard Letter bears the endorsement of Secy of Treasury

Mint of the United States at Philadelphia,

Feby. 21st, 1880

Sir.

I have the honor to inform you that the following recited bills have been presented to me for settlement, said bills being the expenses incurred in making the annual assay of the Gold and Silver Coins of the United States for the year ended Dec. 31st 1879

Assay Commissioners.

Prof. E. D. Andrews.	Lancaster, Ohio	75.
" Chas. Avery.	Clinton, N.Y.	60.
" Henry Coppée.	Bethlehem, Pa.	40.
" H. G. Denny	New York, N.Y.	20.
Hon. Chas. W. Buckley.	Montgomery, Ala.	135.
" Jos. A. Wheelock.	St. Paul, Minn.	145.
" Edw. Daniels.	Richmond, Va.	40.
" Thos. Donaldson.	Washington, D.C.	30.

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Hon. A. H. Miller. Fremont. Ohio. 65.

" Jno. J. Knox. Washington D.C. 30.

Total 95.

Mr. Russell B. Harrison. Helena, Mont.

Travelling expenses 260.85

" H. H. Peacock. Philada.

Expenses for Assay Medals 18.00

" George Hamstead. Dinners &c. &c.

for Assay Commissioners 504.45

I will thank you to inform me to what account these bills must be charged.

I am Very Respectfully

A. London Snowden

Supt

Hon. H. Bowland.

Director of the Mint

Washington. D.C.

Mint of the United States at Philadelphia,

21st February 1880

Sir /

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of yours of 20th. inst. inclosing H.R. bill No 3478 and in reply beg to say that I will furnish the desired information at as early a day as possible

I am very respectfully
Your obedient servant
Gordon Lindsay
Superintendent

Hon: Horatio C. Burchard
Director of the Mint
Washington
D.C.

Mint of the United States at Philadelphia,

Feby 21st 1880

Sir.

I draw this day Check No. 1206 favor J & W. Seligman & Co. New York, for $133.421.72 in payment for Silver Bullion.

I am
Very Respectfully
Your obt Servt
Linderman
Supt

Hon. Thos. A. Hillhouse
Assistant Treasurer U.S.
New York.

Feby. 21st 80

J. & W. Seligman

& Co. New York

17th inst 80

29.369.70

29.317.28

1141 [illegible] 38.421.70

[illegible] London Number

THE MINT OF THE UNITED STATES,

AT

PHILADELPHIA, PENN.

Feby 21st 1880

Sir

I have the honor to report the approximate amount of Silver Bullion on hand at the close of business this day to be 2.705.370.14 standard ounces; together with ——— gross ounces unassayed.

Very Respectfully,

Your obedient servant,

Linderman
Superintendent

Hon. Horatio C. Burchard,
Director of the Mint
Washington, D. C.

24th February 0

Sir,

I deem it my duty to direct through the attention of the proper officers of the government to the large increase within a brief period of Counterfeit three cent nickel pieces. In a recent lot of mine. Coins sent from our establishment, there were [illegible], six of these spurious pieces. These pieces are evidently struck from dies, which have doubtless been executed by the most perfect and dangerous counterfeiter as the coin struck therefrom are very difficult to detect. These Counterfeits I have had assayed and find them composed of about 60 per cent Copper, 20 per cent nickel, and 15 per cent Zinc. The die is doubtless used to bring down the weight

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24 February

Sir;

In conformity with the suggestion contained in your letter of the 14th inst. I wrote to Judge Clerke of the District Court requesting him to furnish me a statement of his expenses in connection with his attendance at the meeting of the Commission on the last named day. In reply he wrote me that he did not expect to be reimbursed his expenses, and I was in some doubt as to whether he should be. I understood that he came to the City for official purposes, and on the best day's reckoning I was right. He further stated that he would call and see me in a few days. He has not done this and I am unable to report in that case. I presume I can get it from him by bill & can have it paid by Sept. the

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point and does facilitate the work of the Counterfeiters. The alloy is a true German Silver such as is used in the superior Coins of Switzerland. The Coins have a yellowish hue after being in Circulation a short time, and have to a critical observer a worn hard look. The beaded or false border, as it terms it, is defective, the check on the head of Liberty is not well executed and the word "Liberty" can scarcely be distinguished.

I enclose you a complete impression of the pieces that I have in the other envelope, are not genuine pieces. This is however a point which could be observed by the general Public, and the Coins alone are sufficient to put a stop to their circulation among the people.

Respectfully

warrants on the same account given to my choice
to individuals, & the bills shall be charged to
I am very respectfully
Your obedient servant
A. Lawson Thornton
A Postmaster

Hon: Horatio C. Burchard
Director of the Mint
Washington
D.C.

I think the case is one of sufficient importance to command the special attention of the detective branch of the Treasury Department in an earnest effort to ferret out the guilty parties who are engaged in this nefarious business and therefore I would respectfully recommend that no publicity notice be taken of this or at least that the facts with regard to these Counterfeits be kept from the newspapers.

If an expert detective officer was detailed for this purpose and sent to the Mint, I could give him such information which would aid him in discovering where the coins are made.

I have not seen, in dividing the Mentions of the Government, [illegible]

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What I believe to be our bounden duty
I beg to remain very respectfully
Your obedient Servant
[illegible]
Superintendent

Hon: Horatio C. Burchard
Director of the Mint
Washington
D.C.

2nd. February

Sir,

I have the honor to appoint on the nomination of the Coroner 5 adjusters for this Merit. I find that many of the adjusters are so overcome by the constant work that it is necessary to render them the relief which this additional force will partially do. One of this 5 is in place of Allen Mefflellan resigned.

I shall in cases where individual employees are suffering from overwork continue them to the regular hours and throw work in the new appointments and I see great advantage therefrom.

Very respectfully,

Your Obdt Servt

[illegible] Superintendent

Hon. Horatio C. Burchard
Director of the Mint
Washington D.C.

21st February 1

Sir,

In conformity with the provisions of section 3504 of Revised Statutes, I have the honor to request upon the recommendation of the Coiner the following persons as adjusters in this Mint, at a compensation of $1.75 ch per diem:

Miss D. M. Wall, Miss M. C. Wall
Miss Clara Neil, Mrs Anne Heraty
Mrs. Ann M. Fabian, all natives of & residents in the State of Pennsylvania.

Very respectfully

for Superintendent

A. Loudon

Superintendent

Hon Horatio C. Burchard
Director of the Mint
Washington
D.C.

Feb. 21st 80

Sir

I have the honor to enclose the Coiner's report of Coinage executed during the week ending Feb. 21st 1880.

Very respectfully,
Your obedient servant
Boudon Saunders
Superintendent.

Hon. Horatio C. Burchard,
Director of the Mint.
Washington, D. C.

Mint of the United States at Philadelphia,

21st February 1880

Sir /

Miss A. McClelland, adjuster, of this institution having resigned on the 16th inst. her name will be dropped from the roll on and after that date

Very respectfully
Your obedient servant
Boreman Snowden
Superintendent

Hon Horatio C. Burchard
Director of the Mint
Washington
D.C.

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THE MINT OF THE UNITED STATES,

AT

PHILADELPHIA, PENN.

Feby 24th 1880

Sir,

I have the honor to report the "Bullion Fund" at the close of business on the 21st inst., at $ 13.860.854.08 subdivided approximately as follows, viz:

Gold Coin	2.425.176.00
Gold Bullion	5.686.888 83
Silver Coin	3.239.003.17
Silver Bullion	2.509.786.08
Total as above	$ 13.860.854.08

Very respectfully,

Your obedient servant,

Gordon Mendes

Superintendent

Hon. Horatio C. Burchard,

Director of the Mint,

Washington, D. C.

Feby 21

Sir

Your letter of the 21st inst
Transfer Check for $500.00 has been rec
and a like amount in 5¢ pieces will be
forwarded to Colorado Nat Bank of Denver
Col in a few days, as requested.

Very respectfully
Robt Patterson
Supt

Hon James Gilfillan
Treasurer U. S.
Washington
D. C

Mint of the United States at Philadelphia,

Feby 26th 1880

Sir.

I draw this day Check No. 1207, favor Laidlaw & Co. for $31.000-
1208, " J.&W. Seligman " 47.000-
1209, " Handy & Cromile " 65.000-
in payment for Silver Bullion.

Very Respectfully
Landon Ward
Supt.

Hon. Thos. Hillhouse
Asst. Treas. U.S.
New York.

THE MINT OF THE UNITED STATES,

AT

PHILADELPHIA, PENN.

Feby 26th 1880

Sir:

I have the honor to report the approximate amount of Silver Bullion on hand at the close of business this day to be 2.715.704.76 standard ounces; together with 155.513.00 gross ounces unassayed.

Very Respectfully,

Your obedient servant,

Louden Snowden

Superintendent

Hon. Horatio C. Burchard,

Director of the Mint,

Washington, D. C.

Mint of the United States at Philadelphia.

25th February 1880

Sir,

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of the application of Miss Kinne for a position in this Mint, in the interest of Mr. Dickman and Senator Wallace.

I will place it on file and on the first opportunity will be glad to serve Mr Dickman. I can make no definite promise at present although I should be glad to serve him.

I am Very respectfully
Your Obedient Servant
A. Loudon Snowden
Superintendent

Hon: Horatio C. Burchard
Director of the Mint
Washington D.C.

Mint of the United States at Philadelphia.

24th. Febry 1880

Sir;

I have appointed Edward Bradley, a native of and resident in the State of Pennsylvania, a laborer in the General Department of the Mint, at a compensation of $2.75 per diem, to date from Confirmation; and respectfully submit the same for approval, under section #3604 Revised Statutes.

Very respectfully
Your Obedient Servant
Landon Ronaldson
Superintendent

Hon Horatio C. Burchard
Director of the Mint
Washington
D.C.

Mint of the United States at Philadelphia.

25th February 1880

Miss Clara Hilt

I have appointed you adjuster in the Mint at a Compensation of $1.75 per diem

I enclose a blank oath of office, which you will please execute before a Notary Public and bring with you, reporting for duty on the 1st prox. at 8 O'Clock

Very respectfully
A. London Snowden
Superintendent

Similar letters sent to
Miss Ann M. Fabian
Miss M. C. Abel
Mrs Annie Heritage
Miss J. H. Hall

Mint of the United States at Philadelphia.

25th February 1880

Sir,

I have the honor to enclose Statement of Silver purchased at this Mint, from Feby 16th. to Feby 21st., 1880, inclusive

Very respectfully
Your obedt. Servant
A. Loudon Snowden
Superintendent

Hon Horatio C. Burchard
Director of the Mint
Washington
D.C.

Feby. 24th 70

Sir,

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of remittance No. 3 (gold bullion) from the U. S. Assay Office at Charlotte, N.C. as per your letter of advice & statement of 23rd inst.

Very respectfully,
Your obedient Servant,
[illegible]
Superintendent.

Calvin J. Bowles, Esq.
U. S. Assayer.
Charlotte, N. C.

Feb. 4th 82

Sir.

I have the honor to enclose the reports of the Melter & Refiner in the Bullion operations, Gold Melting, & Silver Melting as follows:

Bullion operations January 1882.
Gold Melting Jan. 2nd " 31st "
Silver Melting Jan. 14th - Feb. 3rd "

Very respectfully.
Your Obedient Servant.
[signature]
Superintendent.

Hon. Horatio C. Burchard.
Director of the Mint.
Washington, D.C.

24th. February 1

Sir

Please draw your Transfer Order for the sum of Fifty thousand dollars ($50000.-) to reimburse you for Coins withdrawn from your Redemption Fund and reissued

Very respectfully
Your Obedient Servant
[illegible]
Superintendent

Hon: James Gilfillan
Treasurer of the U.S.
Washington
D.C.

Mint of the United States at Philadelphia,

26th. February 1850

Sir,

I will be glad to receive from your institution, say, five millions, in gold bullion at as early a day as may be convenient to you,

Very respectfully
Your obedient Servant
Robert Maskell
Superintendent

Hon. Thomas C. Acton
Superintendent of the Assay Office
New York
N. Y.

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Mint of the United States at Philadelphia.

26th. February 1880

Sir;-

Mr Mason the Melter and Refiner at the Assay office in New York, has completed a very thorough examination into the matter of the variation in the fineness of the melts received from that institution, and finds that the record made by the Assay Department of this Mint is correct.

He offers no rational solution of this perplexing problem but desires that permission be granted that one of the three bars of low fineness be forwarded to New York for examination by their melter. The cost for sending and returning to New York will be but $5.- and as the officers of the Assay office seem anxious to have one of the bars returned, I would recommend

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that authority be granted for the shipments of the same

Very respectfully
Your obedient Servant
Landon Snowden
Superintendent

Hon: Horatio C. Burchard
Director of the Mint
Washington
D.C.

Feby 26th 80

J. & W. Seligman

& Co. New York

19th inst 80

25.269.20

25.240.72

£1.1425 28.887.51

London Monday

Feby 26th 80

Laidlaw & Co

New York
19th inst 80

34.129.00
34.074.91
38.913.54

£1.142.2

London Summary

Stony. 26th 80

Handy & Conville

New York

19th inst. 80

102.372.75

102.135.60

116.638.80

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A. Loudon Snowden

In

Feby 26th 80

J & W. Seligman

& Co. New York

19th inst 80

25.690.70

25.652.16

29.269.11

$1041.00

Mint of the United States at Philadelphia,

Feby. 26th, 1880

Sir.

I draw this day Check No.
1210, favr Laidlaw & Co. for $ 7.913.54
1211 " Jos V. Sedgman & Co. " 1.106.62
1212 " Handy & Conjle " 51.62 P. 08
in payment for Silver Bullion

Very Respectfully
Edward Dunraday
Supt.

Hon. Thos. Hillhouse
Asst Treasurer U.S.
New York.

Mint of the United States at Philadelphia

26th February 0

Sir

I have to acknowledge the receipt of yours of the 25th. inst. enclosing half dime of 1837 for which please receive my thanks

Very respectfully

Robert Patterson

Superintendent

Mr Samuel Silva
Red Lion
Delaware

Mint of the United States at Philadelphia.

24th February 1880

Sir,

I have the honor to enclose herewith original Certificate of deposit of the Assistant Treasurer of the United States No. 5132 for Sixty thousand dollars ($60.000.--) for that sum of minor Coinage profits deposited with that officer this day

Very respectfully
Your obedient Servant
Boudon Snowden
Superintendent

Hon: John Sherman
Secretary of the Treasury
Washington
D.C.

Feb. 26th 80

Sir.

In accordance with the request contained in your letter of 25th inst. I enclose to you blank copies of the Deposit sheets of Gold bullion, by this same mail.

I have also added, as suggested by you in conversation, copies of sheets for Deposits & Purchases of Silver bullion, with memorandum calling attention to certain changes in ruling which would make them more serviceable.

Very respectfully,

Hon. Horatio C. Burchard
Director of the Mint.
Washington, D.C.

Your obedient servant
Lovett Thornley
by
Superintendent.

Mint of the United States at Philadelphia,

Feby 27th, 1880

Sir.

I draw this day Check No. 1213 favor J. B. Colgate & Co for $ 46.697.21 in payment for Silver Deposits.

Very Respectfully
John H. Leland.
A Supt

To Hon. Thos. G. Hillhouse
Asst. Treas. U.S.
New York

Mint of the United States at Philadelphia.

Feby 28: 1880.

Sir

Your letter of the 27th inst enclosing Draft No 90.183 for $12.46, in payment of bill for One Silver Life Saving Medal, Case and engraving forwarded from this Office on the 12th inst, has been received.

Very respectfully
Your obt
Superintendent

S. J. Kimball Esq.
Genl Supt U. S. Life Saving Service
Treasury Department
Washington
D. C

28th. Feb 50

Sir /

From date your services will not be required in this institution

Very respectfully
Boardman Lowndes
Superintendent

Mr Elisha Stone
No 816 Fortieth

28th February 0

Sir /

I have appointed Jn. William Alburger a native of and resident in the State of Pennsylvania, a Laborer in the Naval Department of this Mint at a compensation of $2.75 per diem, to date from Confirmation; and respectfully submit his name for approval, under section 3838 of Revised Statutes

Very respectfully
Your obedient servt
Robert Maskell
Superintendent

Hon: Horatio C Burchard
Director of the Mint
Washington
D.C.

28th February

Sir,

In reply to your letter of the 24th. inst. in relation to making porcelain pots in this Mint, made by Ramp, I beg to say, we have not used them here to any of late for boiling acids, as they are not found to be reliable as those purchased from Germany.

Since the receipt of your letter I have had five of them tested and two of them in three days gave way under the action of heat. The

Mr. Brice, Assistant Assayer, has found out a way to prevent the [illegible] of the pots, and we will [illegible] them [illegible] the fumes of the acid from [illegible] and [illegible] Mint a similar

number of them, at that price would be available at the Mint of San Francisco and New Orleans for storing liquids and occasional boiling where no great use was had

With regard to the pots manufactured by R. J. & Bailey of Fulham, London, we have no experience or knowledge We have tested London pots here and they were not much better, if any, than the Remy pots. The pots we use were made in the Thuringian forest. I shall endeavor to find the name of the manufacturer although of my memory serves me right he has gone out of business. The pots we

have here have been in use for twenty years

Very respectfully
Your Obedient Servant

Superintendent

Hon: Horatio C. Burchard
Director of the Mint
Washington
D.C.

27th February

Sir/

I have the honor to enclose the oath of office of Edward Bradley Newton appointed a laborer in the General Department in this Mint

Very respectfully
Your Obedient Servant
Linson Ourdey
Superintendent

Hon Horatio C. Burchard
Director of the Mint
Washington
D.C.

Feb. 28th 80.

Sir.

I enclose Adams & Co. Express receipt No. — — for bar No. 17, melt 92, gold bullion received from the Newport assay office, & returned thereto by authority of the Director of the Mint, at your desire.

The bar is of weight 207.68 oz: fineness 930 thous.ths; & value $3,992.61.

Very respectfully
Your Obedient Servant.
Lorin Blodgett
Superintendent.

Thos. B. Acton, Esq.
U. S. A. & M. T. Assay Office,
Newport.

28th February 1850

Sir;

I have the honor to enclose the Coiners report of Coinage executed at this Mint for the week ending 28th February 1850

Very respectfully
Your Obedient Servant
Robert Maskey
Superintendent

Hon Horatio C Burchard
Director of the Mint
Washington
D C

Mint of the United States at Philadelphia.

28th February 1880

Sir

I have the honor to enclose the Coiner's report of Coinage executed at this Mint for the Month of February 1880

Very respectfully
Your Obedient Servant
Linnaeus Rowden
Superintendent

Hon Horatio C. Burchard
Director of the Mint
Washington
D. C.

Mint of the United States at Philadelphia.

28th February 1880

Sir /

I have the honor to transmit statements of gold and silver deposited and purchased during the month of January 1880.

Very respectfully
Your Obedient Servant
Horatio Burchard
Superintendent

Hon: Horatio C. Burchard
Director of the Mint
Washington
D.C.

Mint of the United States at Philadelphia.

29 ~~31st~~ February 1880

Sir

At the close of business this day I made the usual monthly Count and examination of the monies in the hands of the Cashier of the Mint with the following results:

Gold	$3.281.176.30
Silver	2.881.473.36
Refining and Parting a/c	1.327.62
Ordinary a/c Regular	18.562.19
Manufacture of fifteen Cent	10.725.15
Minor Coinage a/c	67.097.34
Minor Coinage exchanged	5.505.57
Minor Coinage re-issued	9.732.00

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Mint of the United States at Philadelphia,

Mint Coinage redemption 206.830.52

Total $6.482.430.55

Very respectfully
Your Obedient Servant
A. Loudon Snowden
Superintendent

Hon: Horatio C. Burchard
Director of the Mint
Washington
D.C.

THE MINT OF THE UNITED STATES,

AT

PHILADELPHIA, PENN.

March 1st 1880

Sir,

I have the honor to report the "Bullion Fund" at the close of business on the 28th ult., at $12.886.681.53 subdivided approximately as follows, viz:

Gold Coin	3.289.511.50
Gold Bullion	3.951.973.33
Silver Coin	2.873.701.47
Silver Bullion	2.771.495.23
Total as above, $	12.886.681.53

Very respectfully

Your obedient servant,

Superintendent

Hon. Horatio C. Burchard,

Director of the Mint.

Washington, D. C.

March 1st 50

Sir,

Availing myself of the authority granted by your letter of 27th Feb. I have sent by Adams Express, to the Superintendent of the U. S. Assay Office at Newyork, one bar of gold bullion deposited by that office for coinage; as follows.

Bar No. 17 of Melt No. 92; weight 207.68 ozs; fineness 930 thous^{ths}; value $3992.61.

Very respectfully,

Your obedient servant,

A. L. Dallas

Superintendent.

Hon. Horatio G. Burchard.

Director of the Mint.

Washington, D. C.

1st March 0

Sir;

I have the honor to endorse the oaths of office of
Mrs Anna M. Fabian,
Mrs Annie E. Heritage,
Miss Emma C. Abel,
Miss Jennie H. Hall, and
Mrs Clara H. Hill,
recently appointed adjusters in the Loans department in this Mint

Very respectfully
Your Obedient Servant
Nat Tillson Stevens
Superintendent

Hon: Horatio D. Wenchard
Director of the Mint
Washington
D.C.

March 1st 80

Sir,

I have the honor to enclose reports of the coinage of this Mint, as follows:

Gold workings for November & December, 1879.

Silver workings for November. "

Silver workings for December "

Very respectfully,

Your obedient servant.

A. Loudon Snowden

Superintendent.

Hon. Horatio C. Burchard.

Director of the Mint.

Washington D. C.

Mint of the United States at Philadelphia.

1st March 1880

Sir;

I have the honor to enclose Synopsis of the Engineers Log of this Mint for the Month ending February 29th. 1880.

Very respectfully

Your obedient Servant

A. Loudon Snowden

Superintendent

Hon: Horatio C. Burchard

Director of the Mint

Washington

D.C.

1st Mch 80

Sir/

You will please omit from your book the names of Dickel, Gibson and Hannah as they have been transferred to the engineer's roll, on account of their work being chiefly under him

Very respectfully
A. Lowe Snowden
Superintendent

Mr James Coulter
Foreman Carpenter Shop

March 1st 80

Sir.

I have the honor to enclose the Statements of Mint coinage operations at this Mint, during the month ending Feb. 29th, 1880.

Very respectfully.

Your obedient servant,

A. London Snowden

Superintendent.

Hon. Horatio C. Burchard,

Director of the Mint,

Washington, D. C.

Mint of the United States at Philadelphia,

1st March 1880

Sir

I have the honor to state that Elisha Stone having been removed from the Mint to take effect on and after the 28th day of February ultº, his name will be dropped from the rolls

Very respectfully
Your Obedt Servant
Loudon Snowden
Superintendent

Hon: Horatio C. Burchard
Director of the Mint
Washington
D.C.

Mint

, at Philadelphia

March 2nd 80

, A. London Snowden

Superintendent of the United States Mint,

Philadelphia, Pennsylvania —

12th 1873

Revising and Amending the Laws relative to the Mints,

Assay Offices, and Coinage of the United States, do

hereby

, John L. Le Conte

this Mint

— Chief —

Superintendent of said Mint. —

A. London Snowden

Superintendent

John L. LeConte

Acting Superintendent

Mint
at Philadelphia
2nd March 0

Sir;

I have the honor to enclose herewith the official signature of John S. Le Conte Chief Clerk of this Mint.

I have changed your form of oath to cover the case in question

And beg to remain

Very respectfully your obedient servant

Gordon Norcock
Superintendent

Hon John B Howell
Asst Sec. of the Treasury
Washington
D. C.

2nd. March 0

Sir,

I have the honor again to direct your attention to the matter of forwarding gold to this Mint.

I hope there will be no further delay in the shipment from your office as we have worked off nearly all the gold bullion on hand

I am very respectfully

Your obedient Servant

Robert Patterson

Asst. Thomas Action
Superintendent Assay Office
New York
N.Y.

Mint of U.S. 1854

Sir,

I have the honor to enclose Draft No. 220 of gold bullion, being remittance No. 3 received from your office, & previously not acknowledged.

Very respectfully.

Your obedient servant.

Robert Maskey

Superintendent.

Calvin J. Bowles, Esq.

U.S. Assayer.

Charlotte, N.C.

March 2nd 80

Sir.

I have the honor to enclose Voucher No. 320 of gold bullion received from the N.B. Assay Office, Charlotte, N.B.

I am, respectfully,
Your obedient servant,
Reuben Hurdis
Superintendent.

Hon. Horatio C. Burchard.
Director of the Mint.
Washington, D.C.

2nd. March 0

Sir /

The quota of silver assigned to this institution for the present month, is fixed at $1.450.000. — . If between this and the close of the month silver can be purchased at San Francisco, this demand upon us will be modified. In the meantime you will make such arrangements as may be necessary to fill this order and at the same time coin as many Eagles (and Half Eagles as may be possible at the close of the month.

I am very respectfully Your
obt. Servt.
R. M. Patterson
Superintendent

Prof. James C. Booth
Melter & Refiner

Mint of the United States at Philadelphia

2nd: March 0

Sir /

The quota of silver assigned to this institution for the present month, is fixed at $1.460.000.- If between this and the close of the month silver can be purchased at San Francisco, this demand upon us will be modified. In the mean time you will make such arrangements as may be necessary to fill this order and at the same time, coin as many Eagles and Half Eagles as may be possible at the close of the Month

I am very respectfully yours

Reuben Maskey

Superintendent

O.C. Bosbyshell
Coiner

Mint of the United States at Philadelphia,

1st March 1880

Sir/

I have appointed Emma J. Grant a scrubber in the General Department of this Mint, at a Compensation of $1.25 per diem - in place of Elizabeth Lare removed - to date from Confirmation; and respectfully submit the same, under Section 3504 Revised Statutes

Very respectfully
Your obedient Servant
A. Loudon Snowden
Superintendent

Hon Horatio C Burchard
Director of the Mint
Washington
D.C.

Mar. 2d. 80

J. B. Colgate

Co. New York

" 26th ult. 80

61.509.35

61.166.37

$1.094 63.672.96

London Thursday

Mint of the United States at Philadelphia,

March 22, 1880

Sir.

I draw this day check No. 1214 favor J. E. Colgate & Co. for $22.993.57 in payment for Silver Bullion

Very Respectfully
Your Obt Servt
Louis Eyrich
Supt

Hon. Thos. Hillhouse
Asst. Treasurer of
New York

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6 months

Ordering June 2 1880.
B. & P. R.R.

3	Reams Cap paper	30	Lbs Rice
17	" Letter "	50	" Sealing wax
7	" Note "	50	Sheets Ruled paper
1	" Envelope "	6	Reams brown wrapping
2	" Tall Medal "	6	Doz " " Small
10	" Manila "		Lbs Thread brown
1	Quire blotting		
5	M. Envelopes, #7		
15	" "		
[redacted]	" " [redacted]		
1	" " Small		
2	" Manila tags		
12	Gross Pencils		
18	" Pens		
26	" Pens		
1	" Penholders		
1	Box Rubber Bands		
1	Doz. Erasers		
2	" Inkstands, 3 inch		
6	Barometers "		
6	Pens "		
1	Doz. G.P. Rulers, 18-inch		
1	" Pencil tips		
½	" Shipmans Tube Paste		
½	"		

Superintendent of
U.S. Mint,
Philadelphia,
Pa.

March 3rd 80

Will be delivered by
E. D. Lockwood

London Rumsey
Superintendent.

Mint of the United States at Philadelphia,

3rd March 1880

Sir;

I have the honor to transmit statements of Silver purchased at this Mint from Feb. 23rd. to Febr'y 28th 1880

Very respectfully
your obedient Servant
Louis A. Norris
Superintendent

Hon: Horatio C. Burchard
Director of the Mint
Washington
D. C.

THE MINT OF THE UNITED STATES,

AT

PHILADELPHIA, PENN.

March 3d 1880.

Sir

I have the honor to report the approximate amount of Silver Bullion on hand at the close of business this day to be 3.026.076.92 standard ounces, together with _____ gross ounces unassayed.

Very Respectfully,

Your obedient servant,

A. Loudon Snowden

Superintendent

Hon. Horatio C. Burchard,

Director of the Mint.

Washington, D. C.

Mint of the United States at Philadelphia.

Mar 3 1832

Sir

I am in receipt of your letter of yesterday informing me that you had requested the Secretary of the Treasury to cause to be advanced me the sum of $5000 - payable from the appropriation for expenses for Coinage of Standard Silver Dollars, which sum is less than the amount I called for by $10.000.

The balance of funds in my hands on the 1st inst was $ 11.00758
and the sum you advance me is 5.000.00
Total $ 16.00758

I shall have to charge 3 Rolls against this balance this month amounting to about $9000 - which

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will leave me, say $ 7.000- for Incidental Expenses payable from this appropriation. This sum will probably be sufficient for the demands of the current month, but I thought it best to have ample funds on hand at the Commencement of next month, that I might be able to meet such necessary expenses as Coinage, Wood, Coal &c. and which are Chargeable to this account.

I have the Honor &c

Very Respectfully

A. Loudon Snowden

Supt

Hon. H. Burchard
Director of the Mint
Washington D.C.

Mint of the United States at Philadelphia.

March 3, 1880

Sir.

I draw this day Check No. 12115 favor of H.H. Seligman & Co. for $134,853.79 in payment for Libn Bullion.

Very Respectfully
Your Obt Servt
Boudon Browder
Supt

Hon. Thos. Hillhouse
Asst. Treas. U.S.
New York

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J & W. Seligman

& Co. New York

26th nels 88

25.420.00

25.386.67

28.867.27

$1.138)

Mint of the United States at Philadelphia

4th. Mch 1860

Sir;

I have the honor to acknowledge receipt of letter of Charles A. Bryant asking for a situation in this Mint transmitted through you.

It will be placed on file and due consideration given to the application

Very respectfully
Your obedient Servant
Gordon Rowles
Superintendt

Hon: Horatio C. Burchard
Director of the Mint
Washington
D.C.

Mint of the United States at Philadelphia.

4th. March 1880

Sir/

I have the honor to acknowledge your letter of 2nd. inst. covering a letter from Mr Hubbell, in relation to a hundred (100) additional sets of the specimen Metric gold, Stellar goloid dollar, and Metric Silver Dollar.

Your wishes in the matter shall be fully carried out.

Very respectfully
Your Obedient Servant
Boudon Smedley
Superintendent

Hon: Horatio C. Burchard
Director of the Mint
Washington
D.C.

Mint of the United States at Philadelphia,

3rd March 1880

Sir/

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of remittance No. 4. of gold bullion from your office, as per letter of advice of 1st inst. The statement is however incorrect as bar #44 was stamped by error 27.92 oz instead of 28.94. The true weight of the remittance is therefore 52.81 oz

Your obedient Servant

A. Loudon Snowden

Superintendent

Calvin J. Cowles Esqr

U.S. Assayer

Charlotte

N.C.

Mar. 11th 80

Jos W. Seligman

& Co New York

26th ultº. 80

25.413.10

26.359.07

28.871.31

London March 11

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Sir.

I draw this day Check No 12116 favor J & H. Seligman & Co. for $126.50 cts in payment for Silver Bullion.

Very Respectfully
Your London Mint Supt

Hon. Thos. Hillhouse
Asst. Treas. U.S.
New York

March 4th 80

Sir.

I have the honor to enclose the Coiner's reports of the Gold & Silver Workings at this Mint during the month of January, 1880.

Very respectfully,

Your obedient servant,

Lovett Snowden

Superintendent.

Hon. Horatio C. Burchard.

Director of the Mint,

Washington, D. C.

Mint of the United States at Philadelphia.

4th March 1880

Sir

I have the honor to enclose herewith original Certificate of deposits of the Assistant Treasurer of the United States, No 5137 for Four hundred and ten Dollars & forty cents ($410 40/100) on account of Refining Charges, deposited with that officer this day

Very Respectfully

Your Obedient Servant

Louis Loudon Norris

Superintendent

Hon: John Sherman

Secretary of the Treasury

Washington

D. C.

9th March 0

Sir;

I have the honor to enclose memorandum No. 362 of Gold bullion received from the U. S. Assay Office at Charlotte N.C.

Very respectfully
Your Obedient Servant
L. London Snowden
Superintendent

Hon Horatio C. Burchard
Director of the Mint
Washington
D.C.

Mint of the United States at Philadelphia.

3rd March 0

Sir

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of remittance No 362 of Gold bullion, from your office, as per letter of advice and memorandum of 2nd. inst., with the Correction already indicated

I am very respectfully Your's

Robert Maskell
Superintendent

Calvin J. Cowles Esq
U.S. Assayer
Charlotte
N. C.

Mint of the United States at Philadelphia.

3rd March 1880

Sir/

I have the honor to enclose the oath of office of Emma J. Grant recently appointed Scrubber in the General Department of this Mint

I am very respectfully
your obedient Servant
A. Loudon Snowden
Superintendent

Hon Horatio C Burchard
Director of the Mint
Washington
D.C.

Mint of the United States at Philadelphia,

March 5th 1880

Sir

Your letter of the 4th inst enclosing Transfer Check No 16161 for $75.00 and a like amount in 5¢ and 1¢ pieces will be forwarded to Fayette Co Nat'l Bank, West Union, Iowa, in a few days, as requested.

Very respectfully

A. Loudon Snowden

Superintendent

Hon James Gilfillan
Treasurer U. S
Washington
D. C

Mint of the United States at Philadelphia,

March 5th 1880

Sir

Your letter of the 4th inst enclosing Transfer Check No 16158 for $1.000.00 has been received and a like amount in $5 pieces will be forwarded to your office this day.

Very respectfully

A. London Snowden

Superintendent

Hon James Gilfillan
Treasurer U. S.
Washington
D. C

March 5th 80

J & W. Seligman

& Co. New York

26th inst 80

24.293.25

24.248.20

$ 1.375

27.625.14

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March 5th 1863

Sir.

I draw this day Check No. 121 C Favr J. D. N. Seligman & Co. for $40.826.28 in payment for Silver Bullion.

Very Respectfully
A. London Snowden
Supt

Hon. Thos. Hillhouse
Asst. Treas. U.S.
New York

5th. March 0

Sir;

The recent application of the Committee of Weights, Measures, & Coinage of the House of Representatives for 100 sets of Metric Coins, including the "Goloid dollar" induces me to respectfully suggest to you that a request be made for the appointment of a Commission of the National Academy of Sciences to investigate the chemical and physical qualities of the alloy patented by Mr William Wheeler Hubbell, under the name of "Goloid"; and any technical and economic considerations dependent on its use.

The subject was before the Congressional Committee of the 2nd. Session of the XLV Congress and the testimony of

your predecessor Dr. Linderman) supported by the operative officers of this Mint was strongly adverse to the use of the alloy in question for the manufacture of Coin.

As this matter is purely one of scientific experiment and practical convenience, and as the views of the officials most familiar with the processes of coinage diverge widely from those expressed by the patentee, it would seem to be peculiarly within the range of the subjects upon which from time to time the National Academy has been asked to act as Scientific Counsel to the Government.

The reputation of the Scholars who compose the Academy and their well known freedom from all motives of personal interest

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or official bias in their investigations, has always ensured to the reports emanating from that body a respectful attention and authority which are properly the prerogatives of the highest scientific tribunal in the Country

I have therefore the honor to suggest that you will ask the Secretary of the Treasury to request the President of the National Academy of Sciences to appoint a Commission to investigate the properties of the "Golcid" alloy and its fitness for the proposed use in coinage

Very respectfully
Your obedient Servant
London Worrell
Superintendent

Hon: Horatio C. Burchard
Director of the Mint
Washington
D.C.

March 7th 80

Sir.

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of a remittance of Gold bullion, as per your letter and invoice of 28th ult. forwarded from U. S. Mint, Denver, Col: on Government account.

Very respectfully,
Your obedient servant,
London Ormsby
Superintendent.

F. Silver, Esq.
Assayer in Charge.
U. S. Mint,
Denver, Col:

Mint of the United States at Philadelphia,

March 6th 1880

Sir

Your letter of the 5th enclosing Transfer Check No 16166 for $200.00 has been received and a like amount in 5¢ pieces will be forwarded to Revel Nimrod, Falls City, Neb. in a few days.

Very respectfully

Linderman

Superintendent

Hon James Gilfillan
Treasurer U. S.
Washington
D. C

March 6th 80

Sir

I have the honor to transmit herewith a statement showing the cost and profit of the Trade Dollars coin and Standard Silver Dollars manufactured at this Mint, from July 1st 1876 to June 30. 1879. As requested in your letter of the 2nd inst.

I am,

Very Respectfully

Your obt Servt

Linderman

Supt

Hon H. Linderman

Director of the Mint

Washington

D.C.

March 6th 80

Sir,

I have the honor to enclose the Coiner's report of coinage executed during the week ending March 6th 1880.

Very respectfully,
Your obedient servant,
John L. Leconte,
Acting Superintendent.

Hon. Horatio C. Burchard,
Director of the Mint,
Washington, D.C.

Marsh 6th 80

Sir.

I draw this day Check No. 12,18 favor White, Morris & Co. for $22.848.68 in payment for Silver Bullion

Very Respectfully
Your Obdt Servt
Gordon Mumby
Supt

Hons. Thos. Hillhouse
Asst. Treas. U.S.
New York.

March 6th 88

White Plains

No. Hempstead

4th inst 88

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March 6th 80

White Mountains

Co., New York

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Gordon Brown

Mint of the United States at Philadelphia,

8th. March 1880

Sir;-

I have the honor to enclose the oath of office of S. William Alburger recently appointed laborer in the General Department of this Mint

I am Very respectfully
Your obedient Servant
Landon Ronaldson
Superintendent

Hon: Horatio C. Burchard
Director of the Mint
Washington
D. C.

THE MINT OF THE UNITED STATES,

AT

PHILADELPHIA, PENN.

March 8th 1880.

I have the honor to report the Bullion

on hand at the close of business on the 1st inst. at

6%

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Very respectfully

Your obedient servant,

Louis Snowden

Superintendent

Director of the Mint,

Washington, D. C.

Mint of the United States at Philadelphia,

8th March, 1880

Sir,

In reply to your letter of the 29th. ult°. I beg to say that the amount of gold bullion received at this Mint for the last ten years, including 1870, was;— $112,010,048.27 of which there was in fine bars from the New York Assay office, $21.024.078.60.

Of the fine bullion from New York nearly one third was received in fine bars, from foreign Countries.

The delay in answering your letter has been occasioned by the labor necessary to get up the data.

Very respectfully your Obedient Servant

Boudon Crawley

Superintendent

Hon Horatio C Burchard
Director of the Mint
Washington D.C.

March 8th 80

Sir.

I have the honor to enclose the Coiner's report of the Gold workings in his department of this mint for February, 1880.

Very respectfully,
Your obedient servant,
Roman Mendez
Superintendent.

Hon. Horatio C. Burchard,
Director of the Mint,
Washington, D. C.

Munich 4th to

Sir.

I draw this day Check
No. 1219 favor of D. H. Talcott
& Co. for £35.000- in payment
for Silver Russian

Very Respectfully
Horace Greeley
Supt

Hon. Thos. C. Fitchonde
Asst. Treas. U.S.
New York

March 9th 80

Sir.

I return herewith Certificate of Gold Deposit, No. 1404, properly drawn & endorsed. Regretting the irregularity which caused you the inconvenience of sending it back for correction. I remain,

Very respectfully,

Your Obedient Servant,

A. London Snowden

Superintendent.

Hon. Horatio C. Burchard,

Director of the Mint,

Washington, D. C.

G H March

Sir

I transmit you this day by Adams Express Company $1.500.000.00/100, as follows:-

Sa Eagles. Balance of Invoice No 3. $259.420.32

" On account of " 4 " 240.579.68

Sa Half Eagles. Balance of " 4 " 224.037.10

" On account of " 5 " 275.962.90

in payment on account of deposits for your office.

I make this shipment in obedience to the instructions of the Director of the Mint recorded this A.M.

Please find enclosed receipt No 9 of the Adams Express Company for the amount named

Very respectfully Your

[illegible]

Superintendent

Thomas P. Ritchie Esq
Asst. Treasurer U.S. Assay Office
New York

March 9th 88

Sir,

I received yesterday by registered mail from your office, a package containing 112·41 ozs. gold bullions.

I too waiting a day for the letter of advice containing the usual statement, I deposited it for melting & assay, & will duly advise you of its value.

The current number of the memorandums of this Mint will be 387.

I am very respectfully,

Your obedient servant,

Superintendent.

Colvin J. Coombes, Esq.
U.S. Assayer,
Charlottetown, P.E.I.

Mint of the United States at Philadelphia.

9th March 1880

Sir;

I have the honor to enclose memorandum No. 371 of Gold bullion received from the United States Mint at Denver

Very respectfully
Your obedient Servant
Boudon Smedley
Superintendent

Hon Horatio C. Burchard
Director of the Mint
Washington
D. C.

Mint of the United States at Philadelphia,

9th. March 1880

Sir

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of a remittance of gold bullion from the United States Assay office at New York as per your letter of advice and invoice of March 6th. the same being stated to be 275.933.844 oz. Standard.

Very respectfully Your
Obedt. Servt.
Linderman
Superintendent

Thomas C. Acton Esq.
Superintendent U.S. Assay Office
New York
N.Y.

10th. March 1880

Sir

In reply to yours of the 6th. inst. in relation to the preparation of a gold medal to be presented to Mr. Dentix Koppel, for services as Arbitrator, I beg to submit that the limits of expenditure, to wit, $75.—, named in your letter and that of the Secretary of State, will only be sufficient to cover the actual cost of the gold employed therein and casing of the medal after completion without any allowance for the cost of manufacturing the die

I presume it is the understanding that I am to supply the skilled labor of the artist in the preparation

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of the dies, collars, &c without any bill being rendered therefor. Will you be kind enough to indicate whether I am correct in my assumption on this points?

I may add in this connection, in conclusion that I have a medal of the head of the President from which I had reduced the head on the Annual Ad-day Medal and this will answer the purpose admirably without much expenditure of time & labor

Very respectfully
Your Obedient Servant
Landon Norden
Superintendent

Hon Horatio C Burchard
Director of the Mint
Washington
D.C.

Mint of the United States at Philadelphia,

9th March 1880

Sir:

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of gold bar weighing 213.337 oz. as per your letter and memorandum of 6th., in payment of bar No. 17, melt 92, which was returned by request to your office, and also to cover other shortage in the same melt, to wit, 21.49 Standard ounces

I am very respectfully yours

Horace Brinley

Superintendent

Hon: Thomas A. Acton

Superintendent Assay Office

New York

NY

Mint of the United States at Philadelphia,

9th March 1880.

Sir/

I return herewith certificate of gold deposit No. 1404 properly drawn and endorsed. The weigh clerk in receipting for the bullion inserted the name of the owner in the body of the receipt instead of that of the agent of the Express Co: Mr Thompson, who made the deposit. Mr Thompson received it without noticing the error and endorsed it, and it passed through with a number of other receipts without being noticed.

Regretting the oversight

I am Very respectfully

Your Obedient Servant

A. London Ramsey

Supt

Hon: Horatio C. Burchard
Director of the Mint
Washington DC

Mint March 10th 80

Sir.

I am in receipt of your letter of the 9th inst requesting an explanation of a difference of $122.164 21 Profits on Silver Coinage, between the statement sent you on the 2nd of August 1879, and that forwarded to you on the 6th inst.

In reply I have to say, that in the Report sent you on the 2d August, the profits were stated thus: Gross Approximate Gain $1.382.082.25, the cost of the Bullion being estimated at an average of $1.031 per Standard Ounce. This estimate was high by about .012 cent per ounce, $1.01857 being

mean the correct sum, which would give $1.571.236.10 as the true profits for that year. But as I declined to have the latter statement (called for in yours of the 2nd inst.) as accurate as possible, I made the estimate by the quarterly settlements, which give the result indicated, viz $1.504.119.41 as the profits for the year, and which are as accurate as can be ascertained, the ever changing prices of Silver Bullion and the large amount owned, making it difficult to state the exact average cost per ounce. Trusting that the

explanation is satisfactory.

I am

Very Respectfully

Your Obt. Servt.

Supt.

A. E. Shelton Esq.

Acting Director of Mint

Washington

D.C.

March 10th 80

Sir.

I draw this day Check No. 1220 favor Messrs. J. & W. Seligman & Co. for $ 8388.92 in payment for Silver Bullion.

Very Respectfully

Your Obt Servt

Hon. Thos. Hillhouse
Asst. Treas. Dep.
New York

March 10th 60

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March 10th 80

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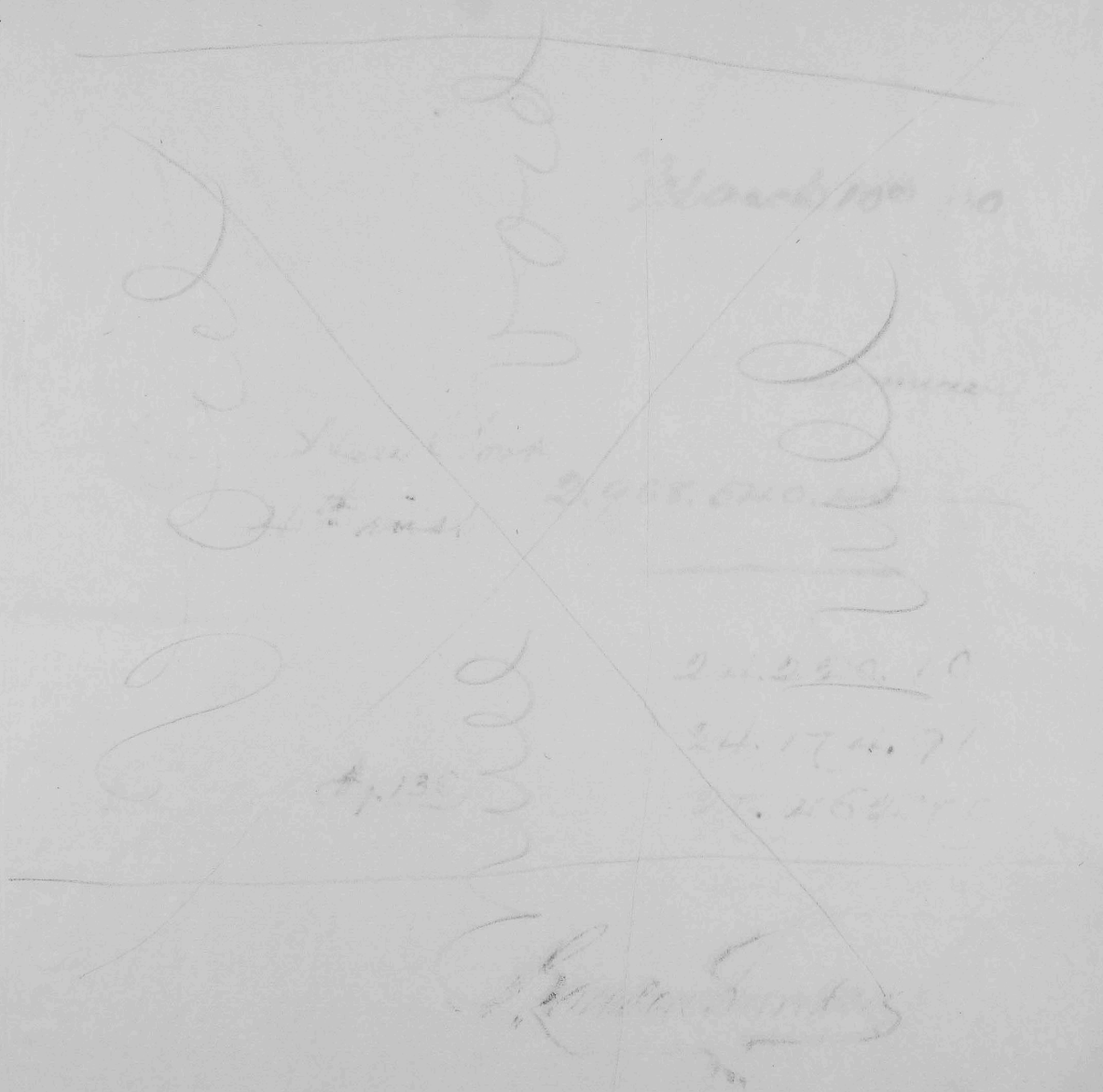

THE MINT OF THE UNITED STATES,

AT

PHILADELPHIA, PENN.

March 10th 1880.

Sir

I have the honor to report the approximate amount of Silver Bullion on hand at the close of business this day to be 2.968.520.45 standard ounces, together with ——— gross ounces unassayed.

Very Respectfully,

Your obedient servant,

A. Loudon Snowden

Superintendent

Hon. Horatio C. Burchard,

Director of the Mint.

Washington, D. C.

March 10th 80

Sir.

I have the honor to inform you that I have increased the Compensation of Mr. George H. Hamstad Messenger in this Mint, from $3. to $3.50 per diem, in consideration of faithful and meritorious Services, and respectfully request your confirmation of the same. This increase to take effect from the 1st inst. The former Messenger received $2.50 per diem. Mr Hamstad is entrusted with large sums of money and Checks for collection daily, and I have no hesitation in saying that the increase is well deserved.

Dear Sir,
Very Respectfully
Your Humble Servt
N. London Novelty
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R.E. Preston Esq.
Acting Director of the Mint
Washington
D.C.

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March 11th 80

Sir.

I have the honor to enclose the Statements (1) of Deposits & Purchases of Gold & Silver Bullion at this Mint during February, 1880. (2) of Gold & Silver of domestic production deposited during the same month.

Very respectfully,

Your obedient servant,

A. Loudon Snowden

Superintendent.

R. E. Preston, Esq.

Acting Director of the Mint.

Washington, D. C.

March 11th 80

Sir,

In consequence of the accumulation of Standard Silver dollars, the vaults of this Mint are filled nearly to their utmost capacity, & unless relief is speedily afforded, I will be unable to find room for storing the daily increase of this coin.

I have therefore the honor to request that you will ask the Treasurer of the U.S. to issue a Transfer order for the removal of $500,000 to some other institution.

Very respectfully,
Your obedient servant,
Linderman
Superintendent.

R.E. Preston, Esq.
acting Director of the Mint.
Washington, D.C.

March 11th 80

Sir.

I have the honor to inform you that the sum of $914.261.77 is due from this Mint to the U.S. Assay Office, New York, said sum being the balance of Invoice No. 5, dep[t]s. in Gold. As it is important that there should be no fractions of invoices unpaid on the 31st inst, I beg to respectfully request that you will instruct me to forward this balance to the Assay Office in such denominations of Gold coin as you may name, at an early day.

I am Very Respy
A. Loudenslein
Supt

R. E. Preston Esq
Acting Director Mint
Washington D.C.

March 11th 80

Sir.

I draw this day check No. 1221 favor J.W. Seligman & Co. for $22.868.59 in payment for Silver Bullion.

Very Respectfully
S. Brown Morley
Supt

Hon. Thos. Hillhouse
Asst. Treas. U.S.
New York.

March 11th 80

Sir:

I have the honor to forward you by to-days mail, my accounts of "Ordinary Expenses" — "Refining Expenses" & "Expenses of coinage Standard Silver Dollar," for the Months of February 1880

I am

Very Respectfully Yours
Loudon Snowden
Supt

R. E. Preston Esq
Actg Director of the Mint
Washington
D.C.

March 12th 81

Sir.

I return herewith with the foregoing footing carried in, the abstract of Gold Warrants paid during the 1st quarter 1879, forwarded with my Position Accounts for that period. The error was made in transcribing from the P/C, and in no way affects the correctness of the same.

Very Respectfully.
Reuben Moriley
Supt.

R. E. Preston Esq
Acting Director of the Mint
Washington.
D.C.

March 12th 80

Sir.

I draw this day Check No. 1222 favor J. B. Colgate & Co. for $25.000— in payment for 9/c. Silver Bullion.

Very Respectfully
Lyndon Norris
Supt.

Hon. Thos. Hillhouse
Asst. Treasurer U. S.
New York

Fredericton 12th 80

Sir,

I enclose herewith Memo.* 384 of gold bullion received from your office, having remittance* 5, as per letter of advice & statement of 6th inst.

I am very respectfully,
Your obedient servant,
Thos. Fraser
Superintendent.

Lebrun J. Boudes, Esq.
N. B. assayer,
Charlotte, N. B.

March 12th 80

Sir.

I have the honor to enclose the Statement of Silver purchased at this Mint, from March 1st to 6th, 1880.

Very respectfully.
Your Obedient Servant.
A. Loudon Snowden
Superintendent.

R. E. Preston, Esq.
acting Director of the Mint.
Washington, D.C.

March 12th 80

Sir,

I have the honor to enclose Mem. # 387 of gold bullion received from the U. S. Assay Office, Charlotte, N. C.

Very respectfully,
Your obedient servant,
Landon Ward
Superintendent.

R. E. Preston, Esq.
Acting Director of the Mint,
Washington, D. C.

Mint of the United States at Philadelphia.

12th. March 1880

Sir /

I have to acknowledge the receipt of your letter in relation to the "Bendix Koppel medal", and will proceed to have it prepared at once.

I beg to submit through you to the Hon. William M. Evarts, Secretary of State, the propriety, if possible of reducing the length of the inscription on the reverse of the Medal. The number of words contained in the inscription forwarded would crowd the medal and destroy its beauty. It occurs to me that the idea to be conveyed could be embraced in a smaller space. I beg, with

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Mint of the United States at Philadelphia,

12th March 1888

due deference you suggest the question of this reduction to the Hon. Secretary of State

And remain respectfully

Your Obedient Servant

Loudon Snowden

Superintendent

R. E. Preston Esq.

Acting Director of the Mint

Washington

D. C.

Mint of the United States at Philadelphia,

March 12th 1850

Sir

Your letter of the 11th inst. enclosing Transfer Check No 16218 for $150.00 has been received and a like amount in 5¢ and 1¢ pieces ($100.00 in 5¢ and $50.00 in 1¢) will be forwarded to the Farmers Deposit Nat. Bank, Pittsburgh, Pa in a day or two.

Very respectfully

A. Loudon Snowden

Superintendent

Hon James Gilfillan
Treasurer U. S.
Washington
D. C

March 12th 80

Sir.

I have the honor to enclose the reports on the Standard Silver Dollars received from the U. S. Mint at New Orleans, as test coins for special assay, from the coinage of February & March, 1880

Very respectfully,

Your obedient servant.

Adam Kramer

Assistant

R. E. Preston, Esq.
Acting Director of the Mint.
Washington, D. C.

Mint of the United States at Philadelphia,

March 12 th 1880

Sir

I have the honor to enclose reports on the Standard Silver Dollars received from the Mint at New Orleans as test coins for special assay from the Coinage of February and March 1880.

I enclose herein two dollars in place of those sent

Very respectfully
Your Obedient Servant
Edward Kinsley
Superintendent

Henry Hooke Esq
Superintendent of the Mint
New Orleans
La

Mongan 13th 80

Sir

I draw this day Check No. 1223 to the Order of J. D. Colgate & Co. for $9,307.26 in payment for Silver Bullion

Very Respectfully
Your Obt Servt
Frederick Mordecai
Supt.

Hon. Thos. Hillhouse
Asst Treas U.S.
New York.

Mar. 13th 80

J. & W. Seligman

& Co. New York

March 13th 80

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March 13th 80

J. B. Colgate & Co

New York
11th inst

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Received

Loudon Thomas

March 13th 80

Feby. 28th

Thanks from Franklin

Supt.

Mint of the United States at Philadelphia.

13th March 1880

Sir,

I enclose the certificate of verification of the weights made by you for the United States Assay Office at Helena, Montana

Very Respectfully
Your Obt Servt
Superintendent

Henry Troemner Esq
7 Market St.
Philad

Mint of the United States at Philadelphia.

March 13th 1880

I hereby certify, that I have compared and adjusted a set of Troy Ounce Weights, from 500 ounces to 1/100 ounce, manufactured by Henry Voorhees of Philadelphia for the United States Assay-Office at Helena, Montana — with the standard Troy pound and Weights of this Mint - and that said weights correspond with said standards.

A. Westermann.

Adjuster of Scales & Weights

March 13th 80

Sir,

I have the honor to enclose the Coiner's report of Coinage executed at this Mint during the Week ending March 13th, 1880.

Very respectfully,

Your obedient servant,

A. London Snowden

Superintendent.

R. E. Preston, Esq.

Acting Director of the Mint.

Washington, D. C.

Mint of the United States at Philadelphia.

13th March 1880

Sir

I have the honor to report that the stock of Circulars No 32, under date December 18th 1879, Relative to the Issue and Redemption of Currency and Coins is almost exhausted.

Please direct that a stock of these be transmitted to this Mint

Very respectfully
Your Obedient Servant
S. Loudon Snowden
Superintendent

R. E. Preston Esq
Acting Director of the Mint
Washington
D. C.

Sir

I draw this day Check No. 12214 favor Harvey & Lonsdale for $ 67,000 — in payment for Silver Bullion.

Very Respectfully

John L. Leconte.

Actg Supt.

Hon. Thos. J. Kellogg
Asst. Treas. U.S.
New York

Mint of the United States at Philadelphia,

March 13th 1880.

Sir

Your letter of the 12th inst: enclosing Transfer Check No 16232 for $500.00 has been received and a like amount in $5 pieces will be forwarded to the Merchants & Miners Bank, Galena, Ill, in a day or two.

Very respectfully

Linderman

Superintendent

Hon James Gilfillan
Treasurer U. S
Washington
D.C

March 15th 0.

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A. London Kinsley

Mint of the United States at Philadelphia,

13th March, 1880.

Sir

In reply to your letter of Feby 20th asking information upon various items connected with a proposed extension of the Mint building. I have the honor to report:

1st. The assessed value of the property to be covered by the intended purchase is exhibited by lots in the enclosure "A", and amounts to *$207.500. These properties could probably be bought for from $250.000 to $300.000.

2nd. As to the probable cost of enlarging the present building, so much will depend on the extent of the enlargement, and the style of building adopted, that I cannot express any opinion: it is in my judgment a matter that can only be determined after reference to and consultation with the

*Error should be $197.500 — occasioned by mistake of original Calculator, discovered after the above letter was written

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Supervising Architect of the Treasury Department.

3rd As to the increase of efficiency and capacity for Coinage or other advantages resulting to the Mint, I have to submit the following considerations, which are mainly illustrative of the inadequate space now at our disposal for the proper transaction of the business of the Mint.

The defects in the present condition and size of the Mint may for convenience be classified under two heads:—

1st The want of room in the different operative departments for the proper placing of the appliances and the due performance of the work required

2nd The insufficient supply of light and air for the health and comfort of the

employés.

1st Want of room in Operative Departments. Under this head I would mention 1st the defects in the Melter and Refiner's Department, and

2nd. Space in the Coining Department.

Melter and Refiner's Department.

By increased space in the Melting Room and more vault capacity for storing bullion, Bullion could be prepared for Coinage in a shorter time, of more uniform quality and could be stored for use in executing uniformity orders, and with more economy. A much larger space is also required for refining and working up residues of Copper into a projectable commercial form. It would also be very advantageous if the operating

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Refining, Pressing, and Drying, and that of grinding and washing Sweep, could all be performed on the same level. Horizontal extension is therefore more desirable than vertical.

Coiners Department

The first and most important defect in this Department is the inequality of capacity for performing the different operations and the want of relation between their capacity and that of the Melting and Refining.

The Melting Room can furnish in a given time, more than can be rolled, and the rolls can furnish more than can be annealed. These relations can only be equalized by having more room both for operations and storing the precious metals, so

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that there will be always a surplus of material on hand in each stage of preparation, for use in a sudden emergency. The Rolling room could be enlarged by taking in part of the Melting Room as at present arranged and the corner of the yard where the Artesian Well is situated, giving room for new and improved rolling Mills, more draw-benches and more trucks, thus enabling a greater amount of work to be done with more convenience.

The annealing furnaces should be in a separate room, half as large as the present rolling room, additional furnaces which are greatly needed could thus be introduced.

The Whitening room is very

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contracted and quite inadequate to the work performed therein. This room and the cleaning room should occupy a space equal to the present rolling room. The whitening and cleaning is now performed in two separate rooms one of which is in the basement of the building. These operations from their nature should be performed in one room.

The Coining room is also quite insufficient in size. Rooms should be provided for Selecting, Milling, Assorting, and Counting, and the entire room, - these operations being excluded - should be given to the Coining presses. Dressing and washing rooms are also greatly needed by the employés.

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In regard to the Adjusting room I will speak more fully under the 2nd. head.

Additional vault room is also needed in this Department. The work required necessitates the locking up in the Coining office, overnight, precious metal that should be within the walls of a secure vault.

Increased vault room would permit, as in the case of the Melting and Refining, the storing of Ingots, Strips, and planchets, of different denominations, so that a sudden call for a certain kind of Coin could be promptly met.

11. Insufficiency of Light & Air.

Under this head I would observe

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that the Court Yard of the Mint originally intended to secure proper light and change of air to the work, and other rooms, which surround it, has been gradually encroached on until now of the original 1980 square feet of area, but 527 sq. feet of clear pavement remain of which a portion is roofed over by the portico a Condor. The space thus lost to the Court Yard is occupied with wooden Structures, in part two stories high and I am at present putting up an additional room for the Express Company which now occupies a part of one of the weigh rooms. The change was absolutely necessary for the security of the large balance and the proper moving of

the bullion trusts.

The Adjusting Room, ill ventilated under the best circumstances, now contains so many adjusters, that but 38 cubic feet capacity (including their own bodies) remain to each, a proportion of space quite insufficient for health under any system of ventilation. Moreover the admission of air in rapid currents would not only be equally injurious to health but would seriously interfere with the balances used in adjusting.

It therefore seems necessary for the proper development of the working capacity of this Mint, that an extension of the present building should be made of sufficient size for present needs and

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future contingencies.

In reference to the extent of the proposed purchase, I would suggest that it is very important that the Mint should be well separated from all neighboring buildings, and that therefore the purchase of the remaining part of the block, so that the grounds of the Mint will be bounded on each of the four sides by a street, is of great con-
[illegible]. Nevertheless, if there are objections to this on the ground of expense, it would be possible by the purchase of the Church fronting on Broad Street and extending along Market Street to the Mint property, to gain additional room and it would be advantageous to secure

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this, though I do not recommend it unless it be impossible to purchase the entire block.

The Coinage of this institution from 1792 to 1829 was $34.313.600.88 an average of less than $1.000.000 per annum, but at that time had increased so as to render the present building necessary. As early as 1840, two gentlemen secured the purchase of the lot occupied by the Church (Broad Street and Penn Street) for a comparatively small sum, in order to hold it at the same price for the interests of the Government, in view of the necessity of the future enlargement of the Mint, but from adverse influences, not necessary

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this institution to fill any orders for coinage, which it is likely to receive. Hard work has been done in the past and still more severe labor can be performed in the future, but I would respectfully suggest that a Government Mint should be so thoroughly equipped with all the facilities and conveniences for the execution of its delicate and important work as to secure the best results at the least possible expense in time, money, and the health of the employées

This unfortunately is not the case so far as the saving in health and time is concerned in this institution.

As a question of economy and safety it is much better to have your present

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to be mentioned at present no action in that direction was taken.

The Coinage $2,260,667.50, in the fiscal year of 1840, has since increased to $4,595,188.00 in 1870 and to $23,532,032.50 in 1879, while the facilities for manufacture have not been changed.

In thus exposing the defects of the present condition of the Mint, and its inadequacy to produce with convenience the work demanded of it, I wish to express my opinion that the proposed purchase of property and enlargement of the building are of the very highest importance. But I do not wish for a moment to be understood as intimating the inability of

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principal Mints in a thoroughly efficient condition, than to incur the expense of erecting and equipping with machinery, and organization, new Mints. The Mint at San Francisco is I believe, in all respects well prepared for effective work, and with a moderate expenditure of money this Mint could be made so efficient in all its details, that the entire Coinage of the Country for a century to come could be performed by these two Mints on the Pacific and Atlantic Coasts.

I have the honor to remain

Very respectfully your obedient Servant

Linder Norris

Superintendent

Hon. E. Preston Ivy
Acting Director of the Mint
Washington
D.C.

Mint of the United States at Philadelphia,

15th March, 1880.

My dear Sir/

In reply to your letter of 13th. inst. I beg to say that I was limited by the director in striking specimens of the Goloid, Metric, and Stella Coinage to the number for the Committee and have but one set for myself. I will forward this to you by mail.

The intrinsic val. of the same is $6.10. I have no author. to issue these specimens, except under directions and in the numbers indicated

Very truly yours

Linderman

Hon: Thomas C. Acton

Superintendent of the Assay Office

New York

N.Y.

March 15th 80

Sir.

I enclose receipt No. 10 of Adams Express Co. for gold coin sent in full payment for invoice No. 5 of gold bullion received on deposit from the U. S. Assay office at Newyork.

The remittance is made as follows:

Eagles	$700,000.00
Half eagles	214,261.77
	914,261.77.

Very respectfully.

Your obedient servant.

London Snowden

Superintendent.

Hon. Thos. B. Acton.

Supt U. S. Assay Office.

Newyork.

Mint of the United States at Philadelphia,

March 16th 1889.

Sir

In compliance with your request of the 6th inst, I send by Adams Express, One Silver Life Saving Medal of the Second class, engraved, and Case for the Same. and enclose herewith duplicate receipted bills for the Medal, Case and engraving amounting to $10.39 which have been paid out of the Medal Fund.

I also enclose Vouchers for the Medal which please Sign and return to this Office

Very respectfully

A. Loudon Snowden

Superintendent

Hon Horatio C. Burchard
Director of the Mint
Washington
D. C

March 15. 0

Sir

In compliance with your request of the 13th inst and in return for the $20.00 draft enclosed therein, I send by Adams Express one proof Double Eagle of the coinage of 1880.

Very respectfully

Superintendent

R. E. Preston Esq.
Acting Director of the Mint
Washington
D. C

Mint of the United States at Philadelphia.

"A"

Properties bounding the Mint Property:-

Street	No.	Owners Name	assessed value
Chestnut	1341	Sarah B. Vansickel	$12.000
"	1343	ditto	12.000
"	1345	ditto	12.000
"	1347	ditto	12.000
"	1349	Samuel Price	12.000
"	1351	ditto	15.000
Broad	11	Anna C. Sims	15.000
"	9	Eli K. Price	15.500
"		Church property	92.000
		Assessed value	$197.500

March 16th 80

Sir

I draw this day Check
No. 1225, favr Hamley & Trowbridge $ 51.000-
" 1226 " J.W. Seligman & Co. 35.000-
in payment for Silver Bullion.

Very Respectfully
Your Obt Servt
Supt.

Hon. Thos. Hillhouse.
Asst. Treas. U.S.
New York.

Mint of the United States at Philadelphia.

16th. March 1880.

Sir

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of packages of Circulars No. 32, as requested in my letter of 13th inst.

Very respectfully
your obedient Servant
A. Loudon Snowden
Superintendent

R. E. Preston Esq
Acting Director of the Mint
Washington
D.C.

Mint of the United States at Philadelphia,

10th. March 1880

Sir /

I have the honor ~~to transmit~~ the Report of the Coiner of the Silver Work-ings in this Department during the month of February 1880

Very respectfully

Jno. Adgate Leonard

Superintendent

R. E. Preston Esqr.

Acting Director of the Mint

Washington

D.C.

Mint of the United States at Philadelphia.

16th. March 1880

My dear Sir/

You would very much oblige me by giving me at as early a day as possible, the dimensions of the Mint Buildings at San Francisco and New Orleans. Also the demensions of the grounds upon which the buildings are erected. By giving an early reply to this you will very much oblige

Your friend & obedient Servant

A. Loudon Snowden

J. G. Hill Esq.
Supervising Architect
Treasury Department
Washington
D.C.

Mint of the United States at Philadelphia.

R. J. Could you give me the dimensions of the Mints of Paris and London, & tell me where I could get them

March 16th 80

Sir.

The supply of blank memoranda for gold deposits is nearly exhausted, & I would respectfully request that a supply of 1000 be sent to this Mint.

Some blanks for pay rolls of officers & Clerks are also needed, say twenty five copies.

Very respectfully.
Your obedient servant.
A. Loudon Snowden
Superintendent.

R. E. Preston, Esq.
Acting Director of the Mint.
Washington, D. C.

March 14th 80

Sir.

I have the honor to enclose the Statement of Silver purchased at this Mint from March 8th to 13th, 1880.

Very respectfully,
Your obedient servant.

London Pomeroy
Superintendent.

R. E. Preston, Esq.
Acting Director of the Mint,
Washington, D. C.

The Mint of the United States,

AT

PHILADELPHIA, PENN.

March 17th 1880

Sir:

I have the honor to report the approximate amount of Silver Bullion on hand at the close of business this day to be 2760658.51 standard ounces; together with _____ gross ounces unassayed.

Very Respectfully,

Your obedient servant,

London Tunderdale
Superintendent.

Hon Horatio C. Burchard,
Director of the Mint,
Washington, D. C.

Mar. 17th 88

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Jos. W. Seligman

& Co. New York

11th inst 88

24.552.60

24.513.17

1.1425 28.006.30

Loudon Snowden

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March 17th 80

Sir.

I draw this day Check
No. 1227 favor Hardy & Comiskey $ 28.814.92
" 1228 " J. W. Seligman & Co. 8.566.59
in payment for Silver Bullion.

Very Respectfully
Your Obt Servt
Asst Treas

Hon. Thos. A. Hillhouse
Asst. Treas. Ref
New York

March 17th 80

Sir

In reply to your letter of the 15th inst. asking if the bill of claim of $35.298.20 presented by the Mail to the Adams Express Co. for overcharges on transportation of Coin, contained a revision of the distances, I have to state that it did not, the letter of the then Director instructing the Superintendent to claim for overrates.

The Post Comptroller has disallowed the sum of $11.556.62 only, in the year from Oct. 1. 1877 to Sept. 30. 1878, and of this sum $11.62 is for over distances, while the bill for overrates commences April 17. 1876 and

ends April 30. 1878. thus covering the Comptroller's suspensions in all but the sum of $868.62 for overdisbursements, and for which, as yet, no claim has been made.

Very Respectfully
Your obt. servt.
[illegible]
Supt.

R. E. Preston Esq.
Asst. Director of the Mint.
Washington
D. C.

May 18 80

Director of the Mint. Washington. D.C.

Seligman sends first thousand ($1000) dollars more than contracted for.
What rate shall I receive it at.

C. Loudon Snowden
Supt.

Your Rates.

March 18th 58

Sir

I drew this day check No. 1229 favr J & W. Seligman & Co. for $ 44,000 in payment for Silver Bullion.

Very Respectfully
Your Obdt Servt
Supt

Hon. Thos. Hillhouse
Asst. Treas. U.S.
New York

Mint of the United States at Philadelphia,

19th March, 1880.

Sir

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of package containing Officers and Clerks blank Pay rolls, by this mornings mail

Very respectfully

Your Obedient Servant

Linderman

Superintendent

R. E. Preston Esq

Acting Director of the Mint

Washington

D.C.

Mint of the United States at Philadelphia,

March 19th 1880

Sir

In return for the $3.00 enclosed in your letter of the 18th inst, I send by Adams Express 1 Silver proof set of the coinage of 1880, Value $2.94, and return the Six cents change in same package.

Very respectfully

[illegible]

Superintendent

Robt E. Preston Esq.
Acting Director of the Mint
Washington
D. C

March 19th 88

J & W. Seligman

& Co. New York

11½ mist 8?

26.468.75

26.419.98

£1.1430 30.198.04

Lucius Tuttle

March 19th 88

J & W. Seligman

& Co. New York

11th inst 88

26.680.05

26.623.75

$ 1.1435 30.444.25

Hilton Brothers

March 19th 88

J & N. Seligman & Co. New York telegram
18th inst 88

5.388.10
6.277.02
+1.1430 6.031.64

Simon Sterne

March 19th 80

Sir.

I draw this day Check No.
1230 favor J. W. Seligman & Co. $ 10.113.64
1231 " Handy & Cornish " 8000.
in payment for Silver Bullion.

Very Respectfully
Your Obt Servt
Supt.

Hon. Thos. A. Hillhouse
Asst. Treas. U.S.
New York.

March 19th 80

Sir.

I have the honor to request that you will ask the Treasurer of the U. S. to transfer fifty thousand dollars ($50,000) in 5¢ nickel pieces to the Redemption Fund of this Mint.

Very respectfully,
Your obedient servant,
Horace Brooks
Superintendent,

R. E. Preston, Esq.
Acting Director of the Mint,
Washington, D. C.

Mint of the United States at Philadelphia,

19th. March 1880

Sir /

Herein please find receipt No 11., of Adams Express Co for Twenty five dollars mixed Coin (Twenty in gold and five dollars in Silver) forwarded this day, being the special assay Coins for the Current month

I am Very respectfully

Your obt. Servt.

Linderman

Superintendent

Hon: Thomas Cotton

Superintendent Assay Office

New York,

N.Y.

March 20th 88

Sir.

I draw this day Check No. 1232 favor Handy & Cronise for $31.530/100 in payment for Silver Bullion.

Very Respectfully
R. Bacon Mowbray
Supt

Hon Thos. Hillhouse.
Asst. Treas. U.S.
New York

March 20th 80

Sir.

I have the honor to enclose the Coiner's report of the Coinage executed at this Mint during the week ending March 20th, 1880.

Very respectfully.
Your obedient servant.
A. Loudon Snowden
Superintendent.

R. E. Preston, Esq.
acting Director of the Mint.
Washington D. C.

Mint San Francisco Nov 8th 80

Sir

I am this morning in receipt of a letter from the First Comptroller of the Treasury, suspending the sum of $188.85 in my Ordinary Schedule A/c. for the 3rd Quarter 1879, said sum being the cost of transportation of a Patent Adjusting Machine, ordered from E. H. Ticott of San Francisco, for this Mint, the bill for which was approved by you, as per your letter addressed to me, October 4th 1879.

In order that the bill in question may be made to conform with Department regulations, and my accounts cleared, I would

respectfully ask that you will refer the Freight bill (now in the hands of the Comptroller) to the Secretary of the Treasury for his approval, with such explanation as you may deem necessary and advise me of the same.

I am,

Very Respectfully

Your Obt. Servt.

R. E. Preston Esq.
Acting Director of the Mint.
Washington
D.C.

March 20th 1854

Sir

I forward this day by Adams Express the Silver Life Saving Medal of the 2d class returned by you on the 17th inst for additional engraving.

The date has been engraved on the Medal as desired and I enclose herewith bill of Messrs Bailey, Banks & Biddle for the engraving amounting to $2 which has been paid out of the Medal Fund.

Very respectfully

A. Gordon Dallas

Superintendent

H. E. Preston Esq.
Acting Director of the Mint
Washington
D. C

March 20th 80

Sir,

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt by registered mail of remittances Nos. 6 & 7 of gold bullion from your office, as per letter of advice of 18th inst.

On weighing the bullion was found to be 0·11 oz. short of the weight given in your memoranda; the aggregate weight being but 204·01 oz. instead of 204·12 oz.

I have respectfully,

Your obedient servant,

L. London Lowndes

Superintendent.

L. Alvin J. Bowles, Esq.

U. S. Assayer,

Charlotte,

N. C.

Mint of the United States at Philadelphia,

March 22, 1880

Sir.

I draw this day Check No. 1233 favor Handy and Kemble for $ 4.934.85 in payment for Silver Bullion.

Very Respectfully

Your Obt Servt

Linderman

Supt.

Hon. Thos. Hillhouse

Asst Treasurer U.S.

New York.

Mint of the United States at Philadelphia,

22nd: March 1880

Sir

I have the honor to endose you a postal card and letter having reference to a remittance of $500.— made in Compliance with your letter of March 12th 1880, endosing Transfer Check No. 16232.

A clerical error in the address of the Bank has perhaps been made, as is suggested in the postal card of Mr. W. H. Snyder, Cashier of the Merchants, National Bank, Galena, Ill.

Very respectfully
Your Obedient Servant
Boudon Kunder
Superintendent

Hon: James Gilfillan
Treasurer of the United States
Washington
D.C.

THE MINT OF THE UNITED STATES,

AT

PHILADELPHIA, PENN.

March 22d 1880

Sir,

I have the honor to report the Bullion Fund at the close of business on the 20th inst., at $17,907,311.34 — subdivided approximately as follows, viz:

Gold Coin,	$2,604,021.60
Gold Bullion,	8,947,998.63
Silver Coin	3,322,070.81
Silver Bullion	2,933,220.40
Total as above	17,907,311.34

Very respectfully

Your obedient servant

Linder Norris

Superintendent

Hon. Horatio C. Burchard

Director of the Mint,

Washington, D. C.

Mint of the United States at Philadelphia

March 23, 1880

Sir.

I draw this day Check No. 123 in favor of J. H. N. Seligman & Co. for $39,000 in payment for Silver Bullion

Very Respectfully

Louis Norris

Chief.

Hon. Thos. Hillhouse
Asst. Treas. U.S.
New York.

Mint of the United States at Philadelphia,

23rd. March, 1880.

Sir

In reply to your letter of the 9th. inst. requesting a statement giving the total amount of Gold bullion received at this Mint from Jan'y 1st 1870 to Dec. 31st 1879 from the New York Assay Office (instead of the total amount of fine bars as requested in your letter of the 27th. February) I beg to say that there was received at this Mint, within the period named:—

Fine Gold Bars refined at N. York	$17.591.552.52
Gold bullion melted at New York	23.263.015.09
Bars of foreign bullion, Coin &c	24.053.521.45
	$64.908.089.06

The difference between this amount, and the amount given by the New York office to wit; $65.100.110.58, - is caused by the omission on their part of a shipment which

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was returned) from the Mint, on account of deleterious substances in the bullion, and which rendered it brittle and unfit for Coinage

Very respectfully
Your Obedient Servant
S. Gordon Norris
Superintendent

R. E. Preston Esq.
Acting Director of the Mint
Washington
D.C.

THE MINT OF THE UNITED STATES,

AT

PHILADELPHIA, PENN.

March 24th 1880.

Sir

I have the honor to submit my approximate
account of Silver Bullion on hand at the close
of business this day to be

2.580.752.40

standard ounces, together with ——— gross
ounces unrefined.

Very Respectfully,

Your obedient servant,

Superintendent

Mint of the United States at Philadelphia,

March 24th, 1880

Sir.

I draw this day check No. 1235 favor J. & W. Seligman & Co. for $9,422.28 in payment for Silver Bullion

Very Respectfully
A. London Snowden
Supt

Hon. Thos. Hillhouse
Asst. Treasurer U.S.
New York.

March 24th 88

J. & W. Seligman
& Co. New York
18th inst. Ad

25.245.45
25.201.24
#1145 28.855.42

London Bradley
R.

March 24th 80

Sir.

I have the honor to enclose Mem. No. 453 of gold bullion received from your office, being remittances Nos. 6 & 7, as per your letter of advice of 18th inst. enclosing memoranda of the same.

Very respectfully,
Your obedient servant,
London Saunders
Superintendent.

Calvin J. Bowles, Esq.
U. S. Assayer,
Charlotte, N. C.

March 24th 80

Sir.

I have the honor to enclose Mem. No. 453 for Gold Bullion received from the U. S. Assay Office at Charlotte, N. C.

Very respectfully,
Your obedient servant,
Louis Launday
Superintendent.

R. E. Preston, Esq.
Acting Director of the Mint,
Washington, D. C.

March 26th 80

Sir

I draw this day Check No. 1236 favor J & W. Seligman & Co. for $15.000.— in payment for Silver Bullion.

Very Respectfully
A. Gordon Mundy
Supt.

Hon. Thos. L. Hillhouse
Asst. Treasurer U.S.
New York.

Mint of the United States at Philadelphia,

25th March 1880

Sir /

Please find enclosed:-

Trade Dollar 1879,
Half Dollar 1879,
Trade Dollar 1880,
Half Dollar 1880, and
Quarter Eagle 1880

I am Very respectfully
Your Obedient Servant
A. Loudon Snowden
Superintendent

R. E. Preston Esq
Acting Director of the Mint
Washington
D. C.

March 2d, 1880

Received twenty two thousand (22000) ounces
silver from Attaway & Ironside yesterday on
S/C Last Dale, and twenty six thousand (26000)
ounces still due. Shall I receive it?

A. Loudon Snowden
Supt

Mint of the United States at Philadelphia,

March 28th 1890

Sir

Your letter of the 24th inst. enclosing Transfer Check No 16816 for $100.00 has been received and a like amount in 5¢ pieces will be forwarded to the Citizens Bank, Delphi, Ind, in a day or two.

Very respectfully

Horace Burrall

Superintendent

Hon James Gilfillan

Treasurer U. S.

Washington

D. C

March 24th 80

Sir

I draw this day Check No. 1237, favor J. B. Colgate & Co- for $120.000. 1238 " John P. Haliman & Co. 3.588.02 in payment for Silver Bullion

Very Respectfully

A. London Mordecai

Supt

Hon. Thos. F. Wilhoite
Asst. Treas. U.S.
New York.

March 27th 80

Sir.

In reply to your letter of the 25th inst regarding the Statement of Purchase of Silver Bullion from Handy & Ironside, $1.14438, I telegraphed you this morning as follows- viz

"Received twenty two thousand "(22.000) ounces Silver from Handy & "Ironside yesterday on a/c. last Sale, "and twenty six thousand (26000) ounces "still due. Shall I receive it?"

Very Respectfully

Reuben Ironside

Supt.

R. E. Preston Esq
Acting Director of the Mint
Washington - D.C.

March 24th 80

J. & N. Selig-

man & Co.

18th inst 80

25.862.80

25.819.62

1146 29.589.28

J. Lonas Friedman

Mint of the United States at Philadelphia

March 27th 1880

Sir.

I draw this day Check No. 1207 Favor Handy & Sonnie for $20.000 in Payment for Silver Bullion.

Very Respectfully

John L. Lelsonte.

Acting Supt

Hon. Thos. Hillhouse

Asst. Treasurer U.S.

New York.

Mint of the United States at Philadelphia,

27th. March, 1880

Sir

I have the honor to transmit herewith the Coiners report of the Coinage Executed at this Mint during the week ending 27th March 1880

Very Respectfully
Your obedient Servant
John L. LeConte
acting Superintendent

R. E. Preston Esq.
Acting Director of the Mint
Washington
D. C.

Mint of the United States at Philadelphia,

28th March, 1880.

Sir/

Please draw your Transfer Order for the sum of Fifty thousand Dollars ($50.000.-) to reimburse you for Coin withdrawn from your Redemption Fund and Reissued

Very respectfully

Your Obedient Servant

Boyd Rowley

Superintendent

Hon: James Gilfillan

Treas: of the United States

Washington

D.C.

Mint of the United States at Philadelphia,

March 29th 1880

Sir

Your letter of the 25th inst enclosing Draft No 90,636 for $10.21 in payment of bill for one Silver Life Saving Medal, Case and Engraving awarded from this Office on the 16th inst, has been received.

Very respectfully
Your obt Servt
Linderman
Superintendent

H. D. O'Connor Esq
Act. Genl Supt U. S. Life Saving Service
Treasury Department
Washington
D. C

Mint of the United States at Philadelphia,

30th March, 1880.

Sir/

I have to acknowledge the receipt of your Communication of the 28th inst., recommending the removal of Mrs M. P. Billington for reasons given at length, and in reply beg to say that if the Lady's continued presence in the department under your charge, endangers the accuracy of the delicate and important work entrusted to you, you are at liberty to notify her that on and after the 1st prox., her services will not be required

I am respectfully

A. Loudon Snowden

Superintendent

Col. O. C. Boxbyshell

Coiner

March 29th 80

Sir,

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of remittance No. 8 of Gold Bullion, weighing 124.92 oz. as per your letter of advice & statement of 27th inst., from your office.

Very respectfully,

Your obedient servant,

Gordon Lowdey

Superintendent.

Calvin J. Bowles, Esq.

U. S. Assayer.

Charlotte, N. B.

Mint of the United States at Philadelphia,

29th. March 1880

Sir/

There remains at this Mint the old equipment of arms as follows:-

11 Rifle - Muskets
1 Flint Lock "
13 Altered "
27 Bayonets
2 Holster pistols

I have had these articles carefully packed and they are now ready for transportation

Will you have the kindness to consult with the proper authorities and inform me what disposition to make of them

I have the honor to remain
Very respectfully your obedient servant

Ronaldson Snowden
Superintendent

R. E. Preston Esq.
Acting Director of the Mint
Washington D.C.

Mint of the United States at Philadelphia,

29th. March 1880

Sir/

There remains at this Mint the old equipment of arms as follows:-

11 Rifle - Muskets
1 Flint Lock "
13 Altered "
27 Bayonets
2 Holster pistols

I have had these articles carefully packed and they are now ready for transportation

Will you have the kindness to consult with the proper authorities and inform me what disposition to make of them

I have the honor to remain
Very respectfully your obedient servant

Roman Broomley
Superintendent

R. E. Preston Esq
Acting Director of the Mint
Washington D.C.

Mint of the United States at Philadelphia.

29th. March 1880

Sir /

In accordance with your letter of the 23rd. inst., I have had the Cicott blank reducing machine securely packed and delivered to Union Line, through Freight-line of the Pennsylvania Company for transportation to the U.S. Mint at New Orleans.

The bill of lading and letter of instructions are enclosed as requested by you

I have the honor to remain

Very respectfully your obedient servant

Louden Snowden

Superintendent

R. E. Preston Esqr

Acting Director of the Mint

Washington D.C.

30th. March 1870.

My dear Preston

Would you be kind enough to examine the files of your office or the Treasury Department for the Correspondence between the Hon: Salmon P. Chase, the Secretary of the Treasury and James Pollock, Director of the Mint in relation to the motto "In God we Trust" on our Coinage.

The Correspondence should be here but it is missing: its place is somewhere between 1861 and 1863. The first letter I think is from a minister in Chester to the Secretary of the Treasury and referred by that officer to the Director here. You would oblige me if you could find this Correspondence

I am very truly yours

Loudon Snowden

March 30th 80

Sir.

I have duly received through Adams' Express a package containing grains of fine Gold & Silver in payment of test coin from this Mint for the months of January, February & March, 1880, as per your letter of advice of 29th inst.

Very respectfully,
Your obedient servant,
Loudon Snowden
Superintendent.

Hon. Thos. B. Acton.
Supt U. S. assay office.
New York.

March 30th 80

Sir.

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of Draft No. 9838 on S/W No. 650. for $1.75 payable to William J. Crawford.

Will you have the kindness to inform me of the address of the person above named, & of the services for which the payment is due, that I transmit the draft to the right person.

Very respectfully,

Your obedient servant,

Barton Thurber

Superintendent.

Hon. James Gilfillan,

Treasurer U. S.

Washington D. C.

Dr Sir March 0

Sir

I have the honor to transmit a statement of silver purchased at the United States Mint from March 22nd to March 29th 1850.

Very respectfully

Your obedient Servant

Robert Patterson

Superintendent

R. E. Preston Esq

Actuary Treasury of the United

States Washington

30th March 1

Sir

In answer to your letter of 27th, saying a nibbing of old Coins, &c. to say that with the exception of the Guinea none of the Coins have any value above their intrinsic value. The guinea is worth a dollar & one fifth or six pence. I suppose the coin dealers in the City might buy them. I enclose the coins of two or three

I am very respectfully
Your obedient Servant
[illegible]

Calvin J. Cowles Esq
U.S. Attorney
Eastern N.C.

30th March

Sir /

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your Communication of the 25th inst. requesting information as to what dies are in the Mint Cents for striking cents to be presented at the discretion of the Department of State and in the name of the president to the officers or seamen of foreign vessels who may have rendered notable service in saving or attempting to save life from American vessels on the Sea, and in reply beg to say that we have but two dies of all engraved for the purpose two of these are the dies to which you refer in your letter of being authorized under the Act of June 20th 1874, and the other is a die which had been in the Mint for many

years, but which I do not think would suit your purpose as there is but little space for engraving on it, and beside, the workmanship is exceedingly indifferent. We have also a medal authorized by resolution of Congress, Feby 24. 1873, to be awarded to certain officers and men for saving life from the Steamer "Atlantic". This is a handsome medal but could not be appropriately or properly used for any other purpose than the one for which it was originally intended.

I have had prepared, as you suggest, impressions from the three dies to which reference has been made and forwarded them by to day's Express. I am of opinion that none of these dies will answer

your purpose and beg to suggest the propriety of having a new die prepared.

In this connection I beg to submit that the size of the medal be made larger than that indicated in your letter. A two inch medal is certainly the smallest size that should be used. If the work is not deep on the dies the cost of the Gold would be about sixty dollars, and the Silver, in the neighborhood of two dollars and a half or three dollars. The bronze ones could be struck from a die of that size for fifty or seventy-five cents each.

Instead of having the usual thick beaves, which are difficult of execution and have become, to some extent, commonplace, I would suggest the head of

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the President of the United States under whose administration the medal is given and on the reverse can be engraved such inscription as will indicate the character of the service for which the medal is awarded by the Government. The preparation of the dies for such a medal would not occasion much expense, as it is customary to engrave here the head of each president for the Indian-peace and Presidential medals. This could be reduced to the proper size for the purpose indicated without much difficulty. The reverse die, which would be a simple wreath, would answer for all time.

As soon as I receive your wishes in regard to the character of the die, I will take great pleasure in submitting to you

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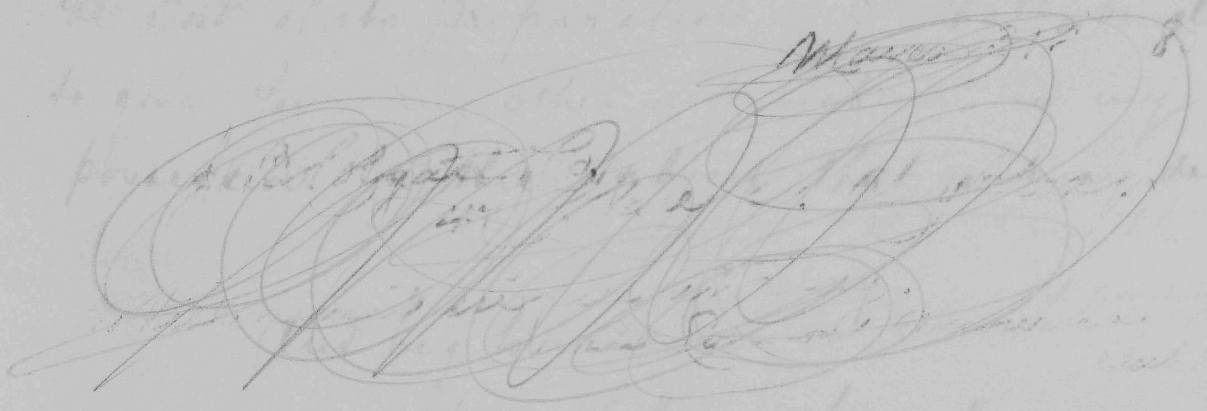
the Cost of its preparation. I shall be glad to give you any other information in my possession on this subject that you may desire

And beg to remain
Your obedient Servant
A. Loudon Snowden
Superintendent

Hon. John Hay
Assistant Secretary of State
Washington
D.C.



March 31st 80

Sir.

I draw this day Check No.
1240 favor Handy & Lunds for $ 4.557.22
1241 " J. B. Colgate & Co. " 80.115.92
1242 " J & W. Seligman & Co. " 19.440.26
in payment for Silver Bullion.

Very Respectfully
R. Roman Saunders
Supt

Hon. Thos. Hillhouse
Asst. Treas. U.S.
New York.

March 31st 80

J & W. Seligman

& Co. New York

18th inst &c

24.453.40

24.416.62

$1.470 28.005.86

Rowan Hendley

Mar. 31st 80

J. D. Colgate

Co. New York

25th inst &

130.915.75

130.660.61

1.1489

150.115.97

Rowan Thanks

March 1st 80

Sir.

I have the honor to enclose this Coiner's report of Coinage executed at this Mint during the Month ending March 1st, 1880.

Very respectfully,
Your Obedient Servant.

Horace Brooks
Superintendent.

R. E. Preston, Esq.
Acting Director of the Mint.
Washington D.C.

by

21st March

Sir,

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your communication of the 19th inst., and by Express, a copy of the gold medal, awarded by the late Exhibition of 1870, with the request that the names of "Ephraim G. Squier" thereon, be erased and that of "Samuel F. Slade" substituted.

In reply, I beg to say that upon examination, I find that by an ingenious process, in the manufacture of the dies, a small ball is so inserted, previous to striking the medal, with the names of the persons to whom it was awarded, engraved thereon, which gives a reversed character to the "Slade" on the medal, or other words all the letters, with the exception of the name

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of the recipient are pressed.

I can have the present name erased and Mr Luman P Clarke placed thereon in intaglio. This is the only mode of correcting the mistake.

There will be no expense attending this except the new engraving, which I will have done by engravers more skilled in lettering than those employed in the Mint whose work is of a different and higher character.

If you desire me to proceed please indicate the same.

I am very respectfully your obedient servant

A. London Snowden

Superintendent

Hon. William G. LeDuc

Commissioner of Agriculture

Washington

D.C.

Mint of the United States at Philadelphia,

March 31st, 1880

Sir

In compliance with your request of the 19th inst, I forward this day by Adams Express, One Gold Life Saving Medal of the 1st Class, engraved as directed, and Case for the same and enclose herewith receipted Bills for the Medal, Case and Engraving, amounting to $67.50 which have been paid out of the Medal Fund.

I also enclose duplicate vouchers for the Medal which please sign and return to this Office

Very respectfully

Superintendent

H. E. Preston Esq.
Acting Director of the Mint
Washington D.C

Mint of the United States at Philadelphia,

31st. March 1880

Sir;

At the close of business this day I made the usual monthly Count and examination of the monies in the hands of the Cashier of the Mint with the following result

Gold Coinage account	$	2.427.227.73
Silver " "		2.777.130.22
Refining & Parting "		496.29
Ordinary a/c, Regular		27.443.18
Manufacture of Silver Coin		.998.03
Minor Coinage account		73.601.05
Minor Coinage Exchanged		5.505.57
Minor Coinage reissued		7.378.00
Minor Coinage Redemption		177.670.26
Total	$	5.497.447.33

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Very respectfully
Your Obedient Servant
London Saunders
Superintendent

R. E. Preston Esq
Acting Director of the Mint
Washington
D. C.

THE MINT OF THE UNITED STATES,

AT

PHILADELPHIA, PENN.

March 3rd 0.

Sir:

I have the honor to report the approximate amount of Silver Bullion on hand at the close of business this day is

2.556.883.52

standard ounces.

Very Respectfully

Your obedient servant

A. London Snowden

Superintendent

Hon. Horatio C. Burchard

Director of the Mint

Washington D. C.

THE MINT OF THE UNITED STATES,

AT

PHILADELPHIA, PENN.

March 3rd 1880

Sir,

I have the honor to report the "Bullion Fund" at the close of business on the 3rd inst., at $15,705,520.32 subdivided as follows, viz:

Gold Coin	2,437,387.26
Gold Bullion	8,312,314.62
Silver Coin	2,767,535.62
Silver Bullion	2,188,282.82
Total as above	15,705,520.32

Very respectfully

Your obedient servant

A. London Snowden

Superintendent

Hon. Horatio C. Burchard

Director of the Mint

Washington, D. C.

1st April 30

R. E. Preston Acting Director of the Mint
Washington D.C.

The Koppel medal will be ready about
the 15th. inst.

Government Rate.

April 1st 80

Sir.

I have the honor to enclose Mem. No. 474 of gold bullion, being remittance No. 8 from your office, as previously acknowledged.

Very respectfully,
Your. obedient servant,
[signature]
Superintendent.

Calvin J. Bowles, Esq.
U. S. Assayer.
Charlotte, N. C.

April 1st 80

Sir.

I have the honor to enclose Mems. 494 of gold bullion received from U. S. assay office at Charlotte, N. C. Value $2175,03.

Very respectfully.
Your obedient servant.
R. London Snowden
by
Superintendent.

R. E. Preston, Esq.
Acting Director of the Mint.
Washington, D. C.

April 1st 80

Handy & Lowe

New York
March 11th 80

251.623.60
251.007.26
287.102.11

#1.143 5
Charges - #9.62

Theodore Lowe

April 1st 80

Sir.

I draw this day Check No. 12443, favor Handy & Lowrie $1.255.27
12444 " Jos H. Seligman & Co - 12.257.38
in payment for Silver Bullion.

Very Respectfully
Your obedt Servt
Supt.

Hon. Thos. J. Hillhouse
Asst Treasurer U.S.
New York.

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April 1st 0

Sir

In return for the $4.00 draft in your letter of the 31st of March, I send by Adams Express One Silver proof set of the coinage of 1880.

Very respectfully
Your Obt Servt
Superintendent

Robt. E. Preston Esq
Acting Director of the Mint
Washington
D. C

Mint of the United States at Philadelphia,

1st April, 1880.

Sir/

I have the honor to enclose statement of Minor Coinage operations at this Mint for the Month ending March 31st. 1880

Very respectfully
Your Obedient Servant
Chas. Burdett
Superintendent

R. E. Preston Esq.
Acting Director of the Mint
Washington
D.C.

Mint of the United States at Philadelphia,

1st April, 1880

Sir,

I have the honor to transmit, Synopsis of the Engineer's Log of this Mint for the Month ending 31st March 1880

Very respectfully
Your Obedient Servant
Linnaeus Rhoads
Superintendent

R. E. Preston Esq
Acting Director of the Mint
Washington
D. C.

Mint of the United States at Philadelphia,

2nd. April, 1880.

Sir,

I have the honor to inform you that I have dropped from the rolls the name of Mrs Maggie O. Billington, to take effect on and after the 1st instant.

Very respectfully
Your Obedient Servant
Linderman
Superintendent

R. E. Preston Esqr
Acting Director of the Mint
Washington
D.C.

April 2nd 88

Sir.

I draw this day Check No. 12405 favor J. B. Colgate & Co. for $107.000 in payment for Silver Bullion.

Very Respectfully
Your Obt Servt
London Mundy
Supt.

Hon. Thos. Hillhouse
Asst. Treasurer U.S.
New York.

Mint of the United States at Philadelphia,

2nd April, 1880.

Sir/

I have the honor to enclose for transmittal to the Secretary of the Treasury C/D No 5150 of the United States Assistant Treasurer at Philadelphia for $675 03/100, on account of Refining Charges

Very respectfully
Your obedient Servant
A. Loudon Snowden
Superintendent

R. E. Preston Esqr
Acting Director of the Mint
Washington
D.C.

April 2nd 80

Sir,

As the supply of payrolls for employés is nearly exhausted, I have the honor to request that you will cause three hundred (300) blanks to be sent to this Mint.

Very respectfully,
Your obedient servant.
A. Loudon Snowden
Superintendent.

R. E. Preston, Esq.
acting Director of the Mint,
Washington, D. C.

April 3rd 80

Sirs.

I draw this day Check No. 1246 favor J. B. Colgate & Co. for $26.414.88 in payment for Silver Bullion.

Very Respectfully
Lewis Cumbler
Supt

Hon. Thos. Hillhouse
Asst. Treasurer U.S.
New York.

Office 3d

Sir

Your letter of the 2d inst enclosing Transfer check No 16394 for $200.00 has been received and the same amount in 5¢ pieces will be forwarded to the First Nat. Bank, Sharon, Pa in a day or two.

Very respectfully

[illegible]

Superintendent

Hon James Gilfillan
Treasurer U. S.
Washington
D. C

April 3rd 90

Sir,

I have the honor to enclose the incorrect statement of remittance (No. 4) gold bullion from your office, sent with your letter of 1st March, in returns for the corrected one contained in your letter of 31st March.

Remittance No. 4 of gold bullion, with statement, has been received as per your letter of date as cited above.

I have respectfully,
Your obedient Servant,

Superintendent.

Lockerin J. Coulter, Esq.
Asst. Treasurer,
Charlotte, N. C.

April 3rd 80

Sir.

You will please prepare with as little delay as practicable the following dies, for use in the U. S. Mint at San Francisco, Cal., viz:

Eagle,	obverse	5
Half eagle	obverse	5
"	" reverse	5

Very respectfully,

Superintendent.

Charles E. Barber, Esq.
Engraver.

April 3rd 80

Sir.

I have the honor to enclose the Coiner's report of Coinage executed at this Mint during the week ending April 3rd 1880.

Very respectfully,
Your obedient servant,
Gordon Sharp
Superintendent.

R. E. Preston, Esq.
Acting Director of the Mint.
Washington. D. C.

Mint of the United States at Philadelphia,

3rd April, 1880.

Sir,

I have the honor to enclose List No 6, of towns to which Silver Coins have been forwarded by the Adams Express Co. since List No 5 was sent to your office Feb. 12th 1880.

Will you have the kindness to recommend the speedy return of the list to this office

Very respectfully
your obedient Servant
A. Loudon Snowden
Superintendent

R. E. Preston Esq
Acting Director of the Mint
Washington D.C.

Mint of the United States at Philadelphia,

3rd April, 1880

Sir

I have the honor to enclose for transmittal to the Secretary of the Treasury C/D. No 5151 of the United States Assistant Treasurer at Philadelphia for $4484.12/100 deposited on account of old material sold during the quarter ending March 31st 1880, and the statement of material sold during the same period.

Very respectfully
Your Obedient Servant
A. Loudon Snowden
Superintendent

R. E. Preston Esqr
Acting Director of the Mint
Washington
D.C.

Mint of the United States at Philadelphia,

3rd April 1880

Sir/

I have the honor to request information from you in relation to the letter submitted on the 20th Feb. on the subject of the purchase of the Prof. Henry Medal by the Smithsonian Institute and beg that you will inform me what steps if any have been taken by the officers of that institution towards the purchase of the same

Very respectfully
Your obedient servant
A. Loudon Snowden
Superintendent

L. E. Preston Esq
Acting Director of the Mint
Washington
D. C.

April 5th 80

Director of the Mint Washington, D.C.

Seligman and Company have delivered but ten thousand six hundred ounces silver on account of sale, seventy five thousand, March twenty fifth. Time up today.

A. London Snowden.
Supt. U.S. Mint.

(Govt notes)

5th April 0

Sir

In accordance with the provisions of section 3507, Revised Statutes, I have the honor to appoint — upon the recommendation of the Coiner — John J. Phillips as a Helper in the Coining Department at a Compensation of $2.75 per diem, to take effect upon Confirmation:

Also, in pursuance of the recommendation of the Coiner herewith enclosed I have transferred —

J.A.C. Smith and Thomas Marsh from Laborers at $2.75 to Rollers at $3.50 per diem

Joseph Wilfert from Helper at $2.75 to Roller at $3.50 per diem

William H Brown from Roller @ $2.[illegible] to Cleaning room @ $1.50 per diem.

George F. Forney from Roller @ $2.90, 6
. Machinist @ $3.25, per diem
all the above to take effect upon
confirmation

Very respectfully
Your obedient Servant
Roger Conkling
Superintendent

R. E. Preston Esq
Acting Director of the Mint
Washington

Mint of the United States at Philadelphia,

8th April, 1880.

Sir

I return by to days Express the medal with the name of "Luman S. Clarke", substituted for "Ephraim B. Clarke"

It was impossible to put it on, in raised letters. What has been done is the only thing that could be done under the circumstances

There is a little difference as you will notice in the back of the medal at the place where the name was erased. I did all I could to deaden it, but without entire success. Time will however accomplish what I was unable to do and give a uniform color to the medal.

The Cost of engraving was

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75 ℔. The other work done here was without cost.

I have the honor to remain

Very respectfully yours

R. Roberts

Superintendent

Hon: William G. Le Due

Commissioner of Agriculture

Washington

D.C.

Mint of the United States at Philadelphia,

April 5, 1880.

Sir

I have the honor to enclose receipt of Adams Express Co. for a box containing the following Coins prepared in accordance with your letter of 3rd March, 1880, under close supervision and in strict accordance with the instructions of the Inventor heretofore received and acknowledged.

100 Metric Dollars
100 Goloid "
100 Stella "4 pieces

Very respectfully
Your obedient Servant
Louis Downey
Superintendent

R. E. Preston Esq
Acting Director of the Mint
Washington D.C.

Mint of the United States at Philadelphia,

5th April, 1880.

Sir,

The following telegram sent this day, is hereby made official

"Seligman and Company have delivered but ten thousand six hundred ounces silver on account of sale, seventy five thousand, March twenty fifth. Time up to day"

Very respectfully
Your obedient servant
Landon Snowden
Superintendent

R. B. Preston Esq.
Actng Dirctn of the Mint
Washington
D.C.

Mint of the United States at Philadelphia,

5th April 1880.

Sir,

The Cashier notifies me that he expects to be absent from the office for three days from the 6th inst. and with his consent I have appointed W. J. Steel as acting Cashier during his absence, and submit the same for your approval as required by Section 3602 Revised Statutes

Very respectfully
Your obedient servant,
John L. Leconte.
Acting Superintendent

R. E. Preston Esq.
Acting Director of the Mint.
Washington.
D.C.

April 6th 80

Acting Director of the Mint
Washington D.C.

Twenty eight thousand (28.000) ounces
Silver additional received from Seligman Co. this
morning. Sixty one thousand (61.000) ounces
still to come to complete One hundred thousand
and (100.000) ounces sold.

Yours Resp.

J. L. Leborte
Actg Supt.

Mint of the United States at Philadelphia,

6th. April, 1880.

Sir

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt by this morning's mail of a package of blank pay rolls for employées

Very respectfully
Your obedient Servant.
John L. LeConte.
Acting Superintendent.

R. E. Preston Esq.
Acting Director of the Mint
Washington
D.C.

April 6th 80

Sir.

The following despatch sent you this morning is hereby made Official - viz:

"Twenty eight thousand (28.000)
"ounces Silver additional received
"from Seligman & this morning.
"Sixty one thousand (61.000) ounces
"still to come to complete One
"hundred thousand (100000) ounces
"Gold"

Very Respectfully.
John L. Laborde.
Acg. Supt.

R. E. Preston Esq
Acting Director Mint
Washington
D.C.

Mint of the United States at Philadelphia,

6th. April, 1880.

Sir/

I have the honor to enclose Memorandum No 527 of Gold bullion received from the U.S. Assay Office at Charlotte.

Very respectfully,
Your obedient Servant,
John L. LeConte,
Acting Superintendent.

R. E. Preston Esqr
Acting Director of the Mint
Washington
D.C.

Mint of the United States at Philadelphia,

6th. April, 1880.

Sir /

I have the honor to enclose Memorandum No. ~~[illegible]~~ 527 of Gold bullion received from your office, as per letter of advice and memorandum of 31st. inst.

Very respectfully Yours
John L. LeConte.
Acting Superintendent

Colonel J. Cowles Esq
U. S. Assayer
Charlotte
N.C.

April 6th 80

Sir.

I draw this day Check No. [illegible] from J. H. K. Sherman & Co. $2000. and [illegible] $2000. in payment for Stores & Quebec.

Respectfully,
John L. Labonte,
Asst. Supt.

Hon. Thos. Hardman
Asst. Treas. U.S.
New York.

Mint of the United States at Philadelphia.

April 6th 1880

Sir

Your letter of the 5th inst enclosing Transfer Check No 16395 for $100.00 has been received and a like amount in one cent pieces will be forwarded, in a day or two, to the 1st Bank of Dwight, Dwight, Ill, as requested.

Very respectfully,

John L. LeConte.

Acting Superintendent.

Hon James Gillespie

Treasurer U. S.

Washington

D C

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Sir.

I draw this day Check No. 1249 favor J & W. Seligman & Co. for $11.587.02 in payment for Silver Bullion.

Very Respectfully,
John L. LeConte.
Actg Supt.

Hon. Thos. Hillhouse.
Asst. Treas. U.S.
New York.

April 6th 80

J & W. Seligman

& Co, New York

25th ults. 83

26.471.65

26.418.40

30.341.52

John L. Lalonde,

Navy.

Mint of the United States at Philadelphia,

6th April, 1880.

Sir

In preparing the Bendix Koppel medal, I desire to know whether the word "Montijo" is to have a quotation marks preceding and following it. They appear on the letter of instructions

Very respectfully
Your obedient Servant
A. Loudon Snowden
Superintendent

R. E. Preston Esq
Acting Director of the Mint
Washington
D.C.

Mint of the United States at Philadelphia.

6th. April 1880

Sir,

In reply to yours of the 5th inst. returning list of distances certified to and requesting further information with regard to Shawneetown Ills., I beg to say that that town is on the Wabash St. Louis and Pacific Railroad, St. Louis and Missouri Line.

Chillicothe Mo: Post Office distance
61 64 miles

To Shawneetown Railroad 69 "

total 1233 "

Very respectfully
your obedient servant
Robert Morris
Superintendent

R.E. Preston Esqr
Acting Director of the Mint
Washington D.C.

6th April

Sir,

In reply to your April 7th 80
returning list of distances certified to
and requesting further information with
regard to Statutory
J. B. Colgate
Co. New York
1 21/100 miles 80

130.667.70
130.169.49
149.226.30

To 1.1464

Very respectfully

Louden Snowden
Lt

April 7th 80

Sir.

I draw this day Check No. 1250 favor J. E. Colgate & Co. for $2809.82 in payment for Silver Ducking.

Very Respectfully
Reuben Smedley
Supt

Hon. Thos. Hillhouse
Asst. Treas. U.S.
New York.

April 7th 80

Sir,

I have the honor to enclose the Statement of Silver purchased at this Mint, from March 29th to April 3rd, 1880.

Very respectfully,
Your obedient servant,
Boardon Smedley
Superintendent.

R. E. Preston, Esq.
Acting Director of the Mint,
Washington, D.C.

Mint of the United States at Philadelphia,

April 7th 1880.

Sir

Herewith I forward Statement of Medal Fund Account, with Vouchers, showing a balance in favor of the Account of $818.15

Very respectfully,

Horace Lurley

Superintendent

R. E. Preston Esq.

Acting Director of the Mint

Washington

D. C

Mint of the United States at Philadelphia,

April 7th 1880.

Sir

Your letter of the 5th inst, enclosing Draft No 90.854 for $67.50 in payment of bill for One Gold Life Saving Medal, Case and Engraving forwarded from this Office on the 31st of March, has been received.

Very respectfully

Boyden Sparkes

Superintendent

S. J. Kimball Esq
Genl Supt U. S. Life Saving Service
Treasury Department
Washington
D. C

Mint of the United States at Philadelphia,

April 7th, 1880.

Sir

Your letter of the 6th inst, enclosing Transfer Check No 546 for $40.00 has been received and a like amount in one and three cent pieces will be forwarded, in a day or two, to A. Hogwall McPherson, McPherson Co, Kas, as requested.

Very respectfully

Louis Kurtz

Superintendent

Hon A. U. Hyman
Asst Treasurer U. S.
Washington
D. C

April 7th 80

Sir.

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt by registered mail of a box containing reserved coins from deliveries of the 1st Quarter of current calendar year, for examination at the next Annual Assay.

Very respectfully.

Your obedient servant.

Superintendent.

Hon. H. S. Foote.

Sup't U. S. Mint.

New Orleans.

La.

Mint of the United States at Philadelphia

7th April 80

Sir

I have the honor to enclose Express receipt for a sealed box Containing the following dies prepared for the United States Mint at San Francisco, Cal. in accordance with the letter of the Director of the Mint of April 2nd 1880

Eagle obverse 5

Half " 5

Half " Reverse 5

Very respectfully

Your Obedt Servt

Superintendent

H. L. Dodge Esq

Superintendent of the U.S. Mint

San Francisco

Cal.

April 7th 80

Sir.

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of a box of gold bullions from the U.S. Mint at Denver, as per your letter of advice of 31st ult., enclosing schedule & duplicate Express receipt.

Very respectfully.
Your obedient servant.
[signature]
Superintendent.

H. Silver, Esq.
Assayer in Charge.
U.S. Mint.
Denver, Col°

7th. April 1880

Sir

I have the honor to inform you that I have this day sent by Express to the United States Mint at San Francisco, the following dies prepared in accordance with your letter of 2nd. inst.,

Eagle obverse		5
Half Eagle	"	5
Half	" "	5

The Express Receipt has been forwarded to the Superintendent

Very respectfully
Your Obedient Servant
A. Loudon Snowden
"
Superintendent

R. E. Preston Esq
Acting Director of the Mint
Washington
D.C.

Mint of the United States at Philadelphia,

7th. April 1880.

Sir,

I have received a letter from the Assistant Secretary of State, Hon. John Hay, in relation to life-saving medals, intimating that a medal was prepared for the Department of State on or about the 7th day of January 1874.

Is the correspondence on the subject in your office and if so, will you be kind enough to send a copy of it to me, as it forms a link in the chain of information which I desire to submit to the Department

I am very respectfully
Your obedient servant
Logan Hunter
Superintendent

R. E. Preston Esq
Acting Director of the Mint
Washington D.C.

THE MINT OF THE UNITED STATES,
AT
PHILADELPHIA, PENN.

April 7th 1880.

Sir

I have the honor to report the approximate amount of Silver Bullion on hand at the close of business this day to be 2.458.637.67 standard ounces; together with ——— gross ounces unassayed.

Very Respectfully,
Your obedient servant,
S. Loudon Thomas
Superintendent

Hon. Horatio C. Burchard,
Director of the Mint,
Washington, D. C.

Mint of the United States at Philadelphia.

7th. April 1880

Sir

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your communication of the 6th. inst. and beg to express my regret that by an oversight the medals prepared were not forwarded, as I directed they should be. They were sent this morning.

In relation to the medal which you say was "ordered by the disbursing Clerk's letter of the 9th Janry 1877", I beg to say we have no record in this Mint of any such Correspondence, either through the Director of the Mint at Washington or directly from the Department

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I will write to the Director's office this morning and see whether I can get any information on the point in question

I am very respectfully
Your obedient Servant
Landon Ward
Superintendent

Hon. John Hay
Ass't Sec. of State
Washington
D.C.

Mint of the United States at Philadelphia,

8th April 1880

Sir

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your communication of the 7th. inst. and in reply beg to say that we have been pushing the Bending Koppel medal since the receipt of your former letter in relation to it as fast as it could be pressed.

I hope to have the medals you desire ready by the 12th. inst., and will transmit them directly to your office

Very respectfully
Your obedient servant

A. London Snowden
Superintendent

R. E. Preston Esq.
Actng Director of the Mint
Washington D.C.

April 8th 80

Sir.

I draw this day check No. 1251 favor J & W. Seligman & Co. for $24.000.— in payment for Silver Bullion.

Very Respectfully
Your Obt Servt
Asst Supt

Hon. Thos. Hillhouse
Asst. Treasurer U.S.
New York.

St. Paul

Sir

I have the honor to enclose the Assayers report on the Standard Silver Dollar as forwarded from the Assay Office of the United States Mint at New Orleans for special assay

A Standard Silver Dollar is here with returned as an equivalent

Very respectfully

Superintendent

Henry D. Foote Esq.
Superintendent U.S. Mint
New Orleans
La:

Mint of the United States at Philadelphia,

3rd April 1880

Sir

I have the honor to enclose the Assayer's report on the Standard Silver dollar forwarded from the April Coinage of the United States Mint at New Orleans for Special Assay

Very respectfully
Your obydient Servant
Louden Snowden
Superintendent

R. E. Preston Esqr
Acting Director of the Mint
Washington
D.C.

Mint of the United States at Philadelphia,

8th April, 1880

Sir

Having received a letter from the Assistant District Attorney, informing me that there are no charges against William M. B. White, and that no bill could be found against him by the Grand Jury, and believing on a full examination of his case that he is innocent of the charges preferred against him, he is herewith restored to duty, and will report tomorrow morning to your office

Respectfully Yours

Lorenzo Barrows

Superintendent

Mr. James C. Booth

Melter & Refiner

Mint of the United States at Philadelphia,

8th April 1880

Sir;

I have the honor to inform you that the sum of Four hundred thousand Dollars ($400.000.-) may be transferred from the Silver profit fund of this Mint, to the Treasury of the United States, on account of profits on the Coinage of the Standard Silver Dollar for the quarter ended March 31st 1880

Very respectfully
Your Obedient Servant
Linderman
Superintendent

R.E. Preston Esq
Acting Director of the Mint
Washington D.C.

Mint of the United States at Philadelphia.

9th April 1880

Sir

In reply to yours in relation to sending fifty Carboys of parting acid to New Orleans, I beg to say, that I can have it shipped in about four weeks — will that be in sufficient time

Very respectfully
Your obedient servant
Landon Ingersoll
Superintendent

R. E. Preston Esq.
Acting Director of the Mint.
Washington
D.C.

April 9th 80

J & W. Seligman

& Co. New York

1st inst. &c

26.877.65

26.336.23

£1.1465 30.194.50

A. London Brothers

April 9th 80

Sir.

I draw this day Check No
1252 favr J. & W. Seligman & Co. $ 6.194.50
1253 " J. B. Colgate & Co. 15.000.00
in payment for Silver Bullion

Very Respectfully
Your Obt Servt
London Murray
Supt.

Hon. Thos. Hillhouse
Asst. Treasurer &c
New York

April 9th 80

Sir:

I have the honor to forward herewith by to-days mail, my account of "Ordinary Expenses" — "Refinery Expenses" and "Expenses of coinage Standard Silver Dollar" for the Month of March 1880 —

I am

Very Respectfully Yours

Supt

R. E. Preston Esq
Actg Director of the Mint
Washington
D.C.

Mint of the United States at Philadelphia,

9th April, 1880

Sir/

I have the honor to enclose the Assayers Statement of Moneys received by him for assays of ores, jewelry &c at this Mint during the 1st Quarter of 1880; also C/D No. 57504, of the United States Assistant Treasurer at Philadelphia for $84.50 being full balance of the account deposited this day

Very respectfully
Your obedient Servant
A. London Ramsey
Superintendent

R. E. Preston Esq.
Actg Director of the Mint
Washington
D.C.

Mint of the United States at Philadelphia,

10th April 1880

Sir

I have this day sent by Adams Express, the "Bendix Koppel" medals, one in Gold and seven in bronze as directed.

I think you will be pleased with the medal particularly the head of the President. I had the relief on the obverse lowered and the result has been very gratifying to me.

The amount due this Mint is # which includes gold employed, the bronze medals, and case for one medal.

Hoping the medal will meet the approval of the Department

I am Very respectfully

Your Obedient Servant

A. London Snowden

Superintendent

R. E. Preston Esq.
acting Director of the Mint
Washington D.C.

Mint of the United States at Philadelphia,

10th April 1880

Sir;

I have the honor to enclose memorandum No 540 of gold bullion received from your Mint as per letter of advice of 31st ult.

I am Very respectfully,

John L. LeConte

Superintendent

H. Silver Esq

Assayer in Charge U.S. Mint

Denver

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10th April 0

Sir

I have the honor to enclose memorandum No: 540 of Gold bullion received from the United States Mint, Denver

I am Very respectfully
Your obedient Servant
John L. Leberte
Superintendent

R E. Preston Esq.
Acting Director of the Mint
Washington
D.C.

April 10th 80

Sir.

I have the honor to enclose the Coiner's report of Coinage executed at this Mint during the week ending April 10th 1880.

Very respectfully.

Your obedient servant

John L Gibson

acting Superintendent.

R. E. Preston, Esq.

Acting Director of the Mint.

Washington, D.C.

10th April 80

Allow Mr Heins the plumber & assistant to come into the Mint to-morrow (Sunday) to perform some necessary work.

John L. Leconte.

Chief Clerk.

To the Captain of the Watch

April 10th 82

Sir

I draw this day Check No. 12054 favor J. B. Colgate & Co. for $3.286.00 in payment for Pilot Cushion

Very Respectfully

John L. Gibson

acting Supt

Hon. Thos. Hillhouse

Asst. Treasurer U.S.

New York.

Mint of the United States at Philadelphia,

April 10th 1880.

Sir

I forward this day by Adams Express, One gold and Seven bronze "Bendix Koppel" Medals and one Case and enclose herewith receipted bills for the Medals and Case amounting to $67.50, which have been paid out of the Medal Fund.

I also enclose duplicate Vouchers for the Medals, which please sign and return to this Office.

Very respectfully
London Ormsbee
Superintendent

R. E. Preston Esq.
Acting Director of the Mint
Washington
D. C

April 12th 88

Sir

As my funds for the payment of the Expenses of the Coinage of Standard Silver Dollars are quite exhausted, and bills are coming in which should be charged to that a/c. I beg that you will facilitate the transmission of the draft for $20,000. called for by me on the 1st inst. So that I may receive it as early as possible.

I am,

Very Respectfully

Your obt Servt

Loudon Morrey

Supt

R. E. Preston Esq

Acting Director of Mint,

Washington

Mint of the United States at Philadelphia,

12th: April, 1880.

Sir/

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 10th inst. in relation to coin for the Mint at New Orleans, and in reply beg to say that ten (10) Carboys will be shipped within two or three days, and the balance as soon as it can be prepared

I am very respectfully
Your obedient Servant
Boyd Marley
Superintendent

R. E. Preston Esq.
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Gold Bullion, approximated	
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TOTAL	$

DENOMINATIONS, &c., OF COIN.

GOLD.		SILVER.	
Double-Eagles	$	Half-dollars	$
Eagles		Quarter-dollars	
Half-Eagles		Dimes	
Quarter-Eagles		Standard Dollars	
Three-dollar pieces		Double-dimes	
One-dollar pieces		Trade-dollars	
Bars, Proofs, &c		Bars, Proofs, &c	
New York account			
TOTAL	$	TOTAL	$

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Superintendent.

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